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## MAJ. GEN. CROZIER TELLS OF DELAY IN EQUIPPING ARMY

Witness at Inquiry Into the Conduct of the War Says Preparation of Estimates and Actual Appropriation by Congress Was One of the Causes.

## SHORT OF GUNS FOR TRAINING PURPOSES

Chief of Ordnance Asserts There Is No Shortage on the Other Side, and That Shortage Here Will Be Remedied by Summer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Inquiry into the general conduct of the war was begun today with investigation by the Senate Military Committee of the War Department's work in arming and equipping the American forces.

Major-General Crozier, Chief of Ordnance, said an obstacle in the early work was that the military policy defined in the national defense act of 1916 contemplated a force of 1,000,000 men to be raised in five years.

"It is apparent," he said, "that the original program for 1,000,000 men did not contemplate our participation in the war. We compressed the five-year program into one year which immediately became apparent that the 1,000,000 program would not do."

Preparation of estimates and actual appropriation by Congress, the General said, caused further delay.

"We did everything we could," he continued, "to get the manufacturing establishments of the country going on orders in anticipation of appropriations. On subcontracts was that many manufacturers did not care to spend money or could not secure loans in advance of actual appropriations. That caused very considerable delay."

There also were delays under the abnormal purchasing system necessary, without time for competitive bidding, only many cases.

Referring to the cost plus 10 per cent contract, Gen. Crozier said the system had "worked out fairly well."

"But it is not as good as when prices were definitely fixed," he said. "It is better to use that only in case of emergency."

"Some manufacturers would not take fixed-price contracts at all," Gen. Crozier said. "They would not take the risk except with a profit on a percentage basis. They had had their fingers burned. No orders for rifles were made at a fixed price; manufacturers wouldn't take the orders."

Upon inquiry by Senator Wadsworth, Gen. Crozier said that early in the war the President had allotted \$50,000,000 of his \$100,000,000 emergency fund to the War Department and that emergency orders for material had been sent out.

Senator Wadsworth asked if any precautionary steps were taken before the war declaration.

"There was a good deal of thinking and discussion done," said the General. "We prepared for sudden expansion and did all we could. We have been kept back by shifting of labor, by men changing employment so often, attracted by higher wages in living countries. They had had a law prohibiting men from leaving munitions work without permission. We would require legislation to accomplish that. I do not find an actual shortage of munitions labor needed in this country. We have not taken men into the military service to create a shortage."

No shortage on other side.

"Will the American army be able to supply itself with sufficient artillery?" asked Senator Reed.

"The indications are that we will be able, with the assistance of England and France," Gen. Crozier replied. "We are short of artillery for training purposes, but we are not short on the other side, and will not be."

"How long will it take to catch up on this side?" Senator Reed asked.

"We will be fairly well caught up on the most important things by next summer."

That he has a plan prepared to submit to Congress, with Secretary Baker's consent, to deal with the munitions labor question, was stated by Gen. Crozier, but he declined to reveal its scope.

## NEW COLD WAVE WITH BELOW ZERO DUE TOMORROW

Special Forecast Indicates Temperature Will Drop Beneath Mark of Last 5 Days.

THE TEMPERATURES.  
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 12, 1917.  
High, 15; low, 2; at 6 a. m., 10.  
Yesterday: High, 15; at 2 p. m., 10; low, 2; at 6 a. m., 10.

Official forecast for St. Louis and vicinity: Unsettled tonight and tomorrow, probably with snow; continued cold; the lowest temperature tonight will be about 4.

## MISS SPRINGTIME IS A COMEDY; MR. WINTERTIME IS NOT

A colder wave than the one St. Louis has experienced since last Saturday morning will reach here tomorrow and the temperature will drop below zero, according to a special forecast given out today by Montrose W. Hayes, district forecaster.

Hayes says the present cold period, which began on the morning of Dec. 9 and has lasted five days, is unusual in its duration. Many colder days have been recorded in other winters, but five successive days of weather near zero is an infrequent experience in St. Louis.

Ten-Inch Snow at Newport, Miss. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 12.—The heaviest snow in 19 years fell during the night, reaching a depth of 10 inches.

23 Below at Helena, Mont. HELENA, Mont., Dec. 12.—Eleven inches of snow fell at Helena last night in connection with a blizzard. The minimum temperature was 33 degrees below zero.

## GAINS 5 POUNDS IN 5 DAYS

Editor of Clayton Argus Builds Up Weight and Enters Navy. After gaining five pounds in five days, E. J. Milton, editor of the Clayton Argus, was accepted as a naval recruit yesterday. He had applied five days earlier and was told that for his height—5 feet 11 inches—his weight of 140 pounds was five pounds too light.

He drank four quarts of milk a day and ate eggs, potatoes and other fattening foods, with the result that when he returned to the recruiting office yesterday he was heavy enough. He is 25 years old.

## WARNS GARAGE MEN OF GAS

Safety Council Calls Attention to Deadly Exhaust Fumes. The National Safety Council has issued a bulletin warning garage workers and motorists against exhaust fumes, Nat. Willis, a noted comedian, lost his life in this manner since the bulletin came out.

It points out that carbon monoxide, a poisonous gas fume, is odorless and colorless and therefore there should be plenty of ventilation when an engine is running in a building.

## HELD UP BY A DEAF MUTE

James Walters, a shoe dealer, of 2827 Newhouse avenue, told the police that a deaf mute with a revolver held him up in his store last night and took \$25.00.

The robber made known the purpose of his visit with motions of the hands, Walters said, which "spoke plainer than words." His cheeks were blackened in disguise.

## Sultan of Turkey Reported Ill

GENEVA, Dec. 12.—Dispatches received here by way of Vienna report that the Sultan of Turkey is seriously ill.

## SOMMER, GUILTY OF FORGERY, GETS TWO-YEAR TERM

Former Head of Local German-American Alliance Convicted in Box Factory Case.

## \$326 CHECK INVOLVED

One Charge of Embezzlement and Three of Forgery Not Yet Tried.

Paul O. Sommer, 32 years old, of 1235 Hartford street, former president of the St. Louis branch of the German-American Alliance, was convicted of forgery in Judge Davis' court today. The jury fixed the penalty at two years in the penitentiary. Sommer was accused of embezzlement and forgery as secretary of the Holman Paper Box Co. The specific charge on which he was tried was the forging and diversion to his own use of a check for \$326.75 signed by John B. Holman, president of the box company and made payable to the Bradner-Smith Co. of Chicago.

Soon after the verdict was returned, Charles F. Krone, attorney for Sommer, filed a motion for a new trial. The State introduced evidence and expert handwriting testimony to show that after the check payable to the Bradner-Smith Co. had been signed by Holman it was deposited in bank by Sommer to the credit of his private account and a forged imitation of it was mailed to the Chicago concern. One point brought out was that a bogus indorsement written on the back of the genuine check made it seem to have been written by "W. T. Bradner," treasurer of the Bradner-Smith Co.

Employees of the company testified there was no such person and there had been no Bradner connected with the company in the last 50 years. One charge of embezzlement and three other charges of forgery against Sommer were not included in this trial.

## AMERICANS WITH GEN. ALLENBY WHEN HE ENTERED JERUSALEM

British Commander Went Into City on Foot on Tuesday, Premier Announces. LONDON, Dec. 12.—American and other military attaches entered Jerusalem with Gen. Allenby, the General reported today.

Premier Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons that Gen. Allenby, the British commander in Palestine, entered Jerusalem on foot Tuesday.

Guards have been placed around the holy places, the Premier said. The Mosque of Omar has been placed under Mohammedan control.

The Premier said Gen. Allenby's proclamation insured maintenance and protection of all sacred buildings and holy places.

## OHIO GOVERNOR TAKES COAL

Problem From U. S. AGENTS. Cox Orders Trainloads of Fuel to Be Sent Where It Is Most Seriously Needed.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 12.—Gov. James M. Cox went over the heads of Federal fuel administration officials today and has taken the Ohio coal shortage in his own hands. The first move was to order solid trainloads of coal assembled and sent immediately to points in the State most seriously in need of fuel. The order is contrary to instructions of F. C. Baird, Federal fuel administrator in charge of the Lakes Coal Pool, Cleveland, who refused by long-distance telephone today to sanction such action.

"While we have to approve, in a general way, of everything the Government does now," he said, "I believe the Government was misinformed as to the facts in this case. It seems hardly fair to the public to substitute more water for the nutritive cereal elements which now enter into beer, while the price and the tax returns are undebated will remain the same."

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## CHANGE IN BEER TO SAVE GRAIN HERE WORTH \$1,675,000

Estimate for Year Based on Figures Compiled by Chemists at Busch Brewery.

## BARLEY, CORN AND RICE

20,130,000 Bushels, Valued at \$35,260,000 Will Be Saving in Country.

President Wilson's proclamation issued at Washington last night, reducing by 30 per cent the amount of alcohol and foodstuffs entering into the manufacture of beer, will result in an annual saving of approximately 996,000 bushels of barley, corn and rice, worth about \$1,675,000, in breweries in the St. Louis district, according to figures compiled today by chemists at the Anheuser-Busch Brewery, at the request of the Post-Dispatch.

In the nation the annual saving in these grains will amount to 20,130,000 bushels, valued at approximately \$35,260,000. The greatest reduction will be in the amount of barley now used in the manufacture of beer. The chemists say, in the St. Louis district alone more than 740,000 bushels of barley will be saved in a one-year period, while the reduction in corn and rice together will amount to only 350,000 bushels. In the United States the barley saved will total 15,000,000 bushels; corn, 4,500,000 bushels, and rice, 800,000 bushels.

To Be Different in Taste. Beer made in conformity with the new regulations will be different in taste, the chemists said, although no change would be apparent in color. That this difference presented a problem to brewers was the opinion of August A. Busch, president of the Anheuser-Busch company.

"We cannot tell just how the public will take the change in taste," he said to a Post-Dispatch reporter. "It may be that it will be readily accepted, but a falling off in consumption is a possibility that must be considered."

"Although much stress is laid upon that part of the President's order calling for a reduction in the alcoholic content of beer, a close analysis of the proclamation reveals it to be only in proportion to the reductions in other contents. In other words, only 70 per cent of the quantities of grain heretofore used will be permitted, and only 70 per cent of the quantities of hops, yeast and other ingredients will be permitted."

Otto F. Stifel, president of the Union Brewing Co., said to a Post-Dispatch reporter that he believed the percentage of alcohol in beer had been placed too low by the new presidential order, fixing this percentage by weight at 2 1/2, or about 3 per cent by volume. The standard percentage of alcohol in beer has been 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 by volume.

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## GERMAN FLYERS UNUSUALLY ACTIVE IN CAMBRIA AREA

Bomb British Back Areas and Fight Artillery Craft—English Bombers Busy.

## BRITISH REPULSE ATTACK

Reports Continue That Germans Are Preparing for Mighty Blow in West.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—While reports persist that the Germans are massing troops on the western front for a mighty blow, there is no indication in the official report from the British and French War Offices that any offensive is in preparation. It was reported from Amsterdam yesterday that the visit to Berlin of Count Czernin, Austrian Foreign Minister, had to do with the possible transfer of Austrian divisions to the western battle front.

The Berlin reports for several days have recorded raiding operations in which a number of French prisoners were taken. Paris last night announced that the artillery had been only moderately active.

"A local attack by the enemy yesterday afternoon against our positions north of La Vacquerie (Cambria front) was repulsed. We carried out a successful raid last night in the vicinity of Ponthu, north of St. Quentin, in which we captured prisoners and a machine gun."

There was great activity in the Cambrail region, it was announced last night. The weather became suitable for flying on Monday and great activity in the air took place on both sides, said the announcement.

"The enemy's machines were particularly active west of Cambrai, making repeated attacks on our artillery machines. Our airplanes dropped many bombs and fired many rounds from their machine guns on enemy villages, huts and trenches. In the evening hostile machines dropped bombs in our army areas and several other states are sent to Jefferson Barracks."

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After breakfast this morning the 320 men were sent to Jefferson Barracks. Restrictions on Enlisting. Announcement was made at the army recruiting station, Third and Olive streets, that men who expect to report to the army in the near future voluntarily enlisting before the restrictions on registered men go into effect must appear at the recruiting office not later than 4 p. m. tomorrow.

It was pointed out that as the whole routine of enlistment, including final acceptance at Jefferson Barracks, must be completed by Saturday, it will be necessary to stop recruiting applications at the hour designated.

Under the regulations issued by the Provost Marshal-General, registered men who come within the current quota will not be permitted to enlist in any branch of the service after Saturday. The navy will be open only to those who obtain certificates from their local boards showing they are fit for service on the list as given within the current quota. Under the new regulation, registered men may enter the army by waiving deferred classification and enlisting to go to camp, whereupon they will be sent to the national army subject to the same regulations as apply to other drafted men. Men who go voluntarily will not be counted toward the quota of their district.

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WAR COSTING GREAT BRITAIN ABOUT \$24,000,000 A DAY LONDON, Dec. 12.—Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, introducing a vote of credit in the House of Commons today, said he estimated that the present vote would carry the expenditures to the end of March, 1918. He declared that the average daily expenditure in the last 63 days was \$2,744,000 (\$2,970,000), and for the period since the end of the last financial year, \$5,630,000 (\$24,430,000).

Granland Rice Joins Artillery. GREENVILLE, S. C., Dec. 12.—Granland Rice, sporting writer, who came here from New York Sunday 60 miles in the 11th Field Artillery, at Camp Sevier, has been made a Sergeant of Battery F, a unit from Tennessee, Rice's native State.

## Committee Is Ready to Drop U. R. Franchise Bill Post-Dispatch Fought

Chairman Schwartz Says New Ordinance Will Be Drafted if Aldermen Vote Credit for Expert Assistance.

Barney L. Schwartz, chairman of the Aldermanic Public Utilities Committee, said today: "If the Board of Aldermen passes the bill appropriating \$5000 for the employment of expert assistance to guide the committee, a new franchise bill for the settlement of the differences between the United Railways and the city will be drawn. The committee feels that this is the proper way to go about it. In that event the pending measure will no longer have the committee's consideration." The pending measure is known as bill No. 2 amended. The bill before the aldermanic committee is the one which the Post-Dispatch has vigorously opposed, both editorially and through contributed articles of Delos F. Wilcox, New York franchise expert, and others, analyzing it and setting out the many convincing reasons why it should not be passed.

The bill appropriating \$5000 for expert assistance was introduced at last Friday's meeting of the Board of Aldermen by Schwartz. It will be given its second reading next Friday, and after that, before it can be passed, it must have the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, composed of Mayor Kiel, Comptroller Nolte and President Alco of the Board of Aldermen.

## REGISTERED MEN RUSH TO ENLIST IN ARMY

1599 Recruits Report in One Day at Jefferson Barracks for Military Duty.

The rush of registered men to enlist in the army made yesterday the busiest day in the history of Jefferson Barracks. Col. C. H. Murray, the commandant, said the post received during the day 1599 recruits, nearly 400 more than on any one day before.

Voluntary enlistment is now at its height because of the new classification rules for the draft and the fact that after Saturday registered men will not be free to enlist in whatever branch of the service they choose. Recruits from Missouri and Illinois and several other states are sent to Jefferson Barracks.

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For instance, yesterday our Home-Merchants bought 87 Columns in the POST-DISPATCH alone, exceeding both of the morning papers combined by 12 columns, and both of the other evening papers combined by 8 columns.

CIRCULATION Average for 11 months, 1917: Sunday, 360,876 | Daily and Sunday, 193,573 92% weekday in St. Louis and Suburbs.

NEW PEACE MOVE BY POPE COPENHAGEN, Dec. 12.—A German dispatch to the Yomische Zeitung says that on receiving the Cardinals Dec. 23, the Pope will deliver an important pronouncement on the question of peace.

## PEACE PARLEYS AUTHORIZED, SAYS GERMAN AGENCY

Report From Semi-Official News Source Is That the Demobilization of the Russian Military Forces Already Has Begun.

Rumania Officially Announces the Signing of Armistice Agreement With Teuton Representatives.

Negotiations Between the Petrograd and Berlin Delegates Have to Do Only With Russian Front.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 12.—The semi-official German news agency says demobilization of the Russian forces already has begun and that peace negotiations, restricted to the Russian front, have been authorized. The news agency's dispatch says that Gen. Obersthafer has been appointed Commander in Chief of the German forces in the East (Russia) and that he has been authorized to open peace negotiations with Germany.

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# BOLSHEVIK LOST IN MOHILEV FIGHT, PETROGRAD HEARS

Defeated by Shock Battalions and Cossacks in Clash Near General Headquarters.

KALEDINES IS GAINING

Russian Officials in London Say Thousands Already Have Rallied to His Support.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Reports of fighting at Mohilev, Russian general headquarters, between troops newly arrived there and the Bolshevik garrison, were received in Petrograd Monday, according to the correspondent of the Times in the Russian capital. It is also reported that shock battalions and Cossacks advancing on Mohilev clashed with the Bolsheviks who were defeated.

Russian officials in London, who are establishing direct communication with Gen. Kaledines and other leaders of Democratic organizations in Russia, declared to the Associated Press that the movement to overthrow the Bolsheviks was supported not only by the Cossacks, but by almost all the leaders of the other parties. These leaders, it was said, are confident they will be able to make short shrift of the Bolsheviks. They feel certain they will be able to prevent a formidable fighting force from springing.

It is said that thousands of Cossacks already have left the fighting front and rallied to Kaledines' support and it is expected he will soon have the entire force of 400,000 Cossacks at his disposal.

The officials in London assert that the plan embraces the solidification of the loyal fighting forces, the complete elimination of the Bolshevik organizations in the cities and towns of Southern Russia, the re-establishment of order, the reorganization of supplies and the establishment of a new allied fighting front to protect the rich Russian granaries and coal fields from the Germans.

The question of allied support which the officials declare is necessary in order to win much success must be laid especially the question of the eventual sending of an American expeditionary army to co-operate with the forces holding the new front. It is pointed out that this would not be in the nature of American interference in Russian internal affairs, but a case similar to American and British troops helping France.

The fighting at Tannenberg, according to the Reuter dispatch from Petrograd appears to have been between detachments of anti-Bolshevik shock battalions and local troops assisted by soldiers and Cossacks. Infantry and armored cars sent from Petrograd, and troops from Kharkov, the Russo-Soviet of Petrograd, are fighting in the area and all night. It adds that it was very severe and that there were a great number of casualties.

## SHELLS, EXPLODING IN FIRE, FALL NEAR NEWCASTLE

Flames Start in Loading Department of Bethlehem Munitions Factory in Pennsylvania.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 12.—A terrific explosion shortly before 5 o'clock this morning with shells flying in every direction around Newcastle followed a fire in one of the most dangerous sections of the shell loading plant of the Bethlehem Steel Co. about a mile below Newcastle.

The blast started in the shell loading house in which were stored 15,000 shells loaded with No. 7, one of the most violent of all explosives used in war, and 50,000 empty shells. The building, which was a frame structure about 150 by 150 feet, burned rapidly and the flames reached the loaded shells in the latter part of the morning and occasionally one would be hurled out of the building.

One man, Theodore Jacobs of Harrison, N. J., the chief of guard, was killed, his head being blown off by one of the shells.

The burning building contained 400 shells, all of which exploded. A high fence near by was ignited. Jacobs was running away and was about a quarter of a mile from the burning structure when a shell hit him. As he fell on the trolley line, about 100 men on their way to work. No machinery was in operation at the time and there was no fire in the building.

## EVERY-U. S. SOLDIER IN FRANCE TO GET CHRISTMAS GIFT BAG

Nearly 150,000 Have Already Been Prepared and First Shipment Dispatched From Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Every American soldier in France is going to be supplied with a Christmas gift bag. The first shipments consigned to the American base hospitals units on the British front were sent forward today. Other shipments will be daily.

Each bag contains two packages of cigarettes, two of cigars, two of pipe tobacco and one of pipe tobacco, a tooth brush, tooth paste and a wash cloth, a pair of shoes, a needle roll, half a pound of candy and a handkerchief. The bags have been made up by the American War Relief Corps in Paris and the American Red Cross.

Nearly 150,000 bags have already

# "Peace" for Russia

Drawn by Louis Raemaekers, the famous Dutch Cartoonist.



Louis Raemaekers

"And now we are going to have Peace and be friends forever!"

## WAR HAS BEEN WORTH WHILE, ASQUITH SAYS

Would Take Same Position Again in Regard to Entering Conflict, He Says.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Former Premier Asquith, speaking at Birmingham yesterday, declared that if he had to live over the time again he still would take the same position he had arrived at with regard to Great Britain's entering the war. He added that he was not at all sure that the war had been worth while, provided the war ended in a peace which secured the original purposes for entering upon it and contained the elements of permanency.

Asquith said he thought little more would be heard from the enemy on the question of freedom of the sea. He strongly endorsed President Wilson's message as clearly expressing the intentions and desires of the allies.

Defends His Actions.—The former Premier, continuing, said he considered the adverse criticism of the Marquis of Lansdowne growing out of the recent letter of the Marquis regarding the allies' war aims, as due to reading into the letter unintended meanings. Lansdowne's main argument, he said, was that while vigorously pursuing the war the allies should satisfy the world that their aims were unselfish and were devoted to securing a peace guaranteed by a league of nations. The former Premier said:

"I cannot forget that with my friend and colleague, Sir Edward Grey, I have a greater responsibility than any living man for Great Britain's entrance into the war. I say deliberately that with all the knowledge we now have of the unimagined horrors of world-wide war, if I had to live that time over again I should make the same decision. Has it been, and is it worth while?"

"My answer is, without doubt or hesitation, yes, subject to only one condition—that the war ends in a peace of security, the attainment of our original purpose, and which contains in itself the safeguards of its own permanency. Such a peace is the world's dominating need and there is no greater enemy of the human race at this moment than the man, if or not he is such a man, who by word or act makes it more difficult to achieve."

On Lansdowne's Letter.—"I must confess that much criticism of Lord Lansdowne's letter appears to me to arise from reading into it meanings and intentions which I do not understand the letter to convey. I take the stress of Lord Lansdowne's main argument to be that the allies, while pursuing the war with vigor and purpose, should endeavor to make increasingly clear to the belligerent and neutral peoples that our aims are rational and unselfish and that by their attainment we are convinced we may look for a durable peace safeguarded by the joint authority of an international league."

"To use President Wilson's latest words, the aim is to bring into effective existence the partnership, not merely of Governments, but of people."

## DR. STILL, OSTEOPATHY SCHOOL FOUNDER, DIES

Organized College at Kirksville, Mo., Which Became Large Institution.

KIRKSVILLE, Mo., Dec. 12.—Dr. A. T. Still, founder of the Osteopathic School of Medicine, died here today.

Dr. Still was born Aug. 6, 1828, in Lee County, Va., the son of a Methodist preacher who was also a physician. He obtained a medical education and did his first work as a physician among the Shawnee Indians. Moving to Kansas in the days of border warfare, he became a friend of John Brown and was elected to the Legislature in 1858 on the anti-slavery ticket. He served as a surgeon in the Union army and attained the rank of major.

In his medical practice for several years after the close of the war Dr. Still worked out gradually the means of mechanical adjustment as a therapeutic agency, opposed to internal medication. He embodied these ideas in 1874 in the science of osteopathy.

In 1892 Dr. Still, with the co-operation of his sons formed the American College of Osteopathy at Kirksville, which has grown into a large institution, and similar schools have been established elsewhere.

Dr. Still was of unusual height, and his resemblance to Abraham Lincoln was frequently remarked.

Dr. Still's three sons are engaged in osteopathic practice. Dr. Charles Still being now dean of the Kirksville institution.

pieces which must henceforth guarantee the world's peace."

Speaking at Bedford on the subject of the allies' war aims, Winston Churchill, Minister of Munitions, said that the situation was more serious than it had been reasonable three months ago to expect. "When I say the country is passing through a time of danger," Churchill continued, "I mean there are people who wish to bring about a premature peace. They are listening to the sophistries and dangerous counsel of certain politicians. People who say 'Retreat your war aims, really make peace with the victorious Hun.'"

President Wilson's statement of war aims is good enough for me. We mean to win the war, however long it may take. Russia has fallen out of the ranks, the United States has fallen in and is coming to our aid. The longer Great Britain and America are fighting side by side, the closer they will be drawn together. That is a tremendous fact and it will make amends for what we are now suffering."

## Nobel Peace Prize Awarded

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 12.—The Nobel peace prize for 1917 has been awarded to the International Red Cross Committee of Geneva.

## COMMANDER BAGLEY RESCUED BY A SEAMAN

Sailor Died of Exposure After Pulling Officer of the Jacob Jones to Life Raft.

BASE OF THE AMERICAN FLOTTILLA IN BRITISH WATERS, Dec. 11.—The American torpedo boat destroyer Jacob Jones was torpedoed just after she had completed target practice. The torpedo struck the destroyer amidships, blowing the after part of the vessel to pieces. Some fifty men engaged in that part of the ship were killed. The remaining members of the crew got away on rafts and in boats, in which they remained until the next morning, when the rescue steamer arrived.

Several of the men died from exposure, while the others suffered severely during the 17 hours in the boats.

The survivors of the disaster are reported to be doing well.

Lieutenant Commander David Worth Bagley was rescued by one of his seamen, who afterward died from injuries and exposure.

The seaman, with six other members of the crew, was swimming toward a raft when he bumped into a floating object which he thought was a bundle of clothes, but which proved to be Commander Bagley, with the full collar of his great coat flapping about his head. Bagley appeared to be almost unconscious. Although suffering intensely himself from his injuries and the cold water, the seaman caught hold of the Commander, and with the assistance of his shipmates, pulled him to the raft, where he soon revived.

The seaman, however, succumbed a few hours later and was buried at sea. Before consigning the dead seaman to the ocean, his shipmates pulled up his blue shirt and loathed the pieces to carry as distress signals, but it soon became dark and the cold and suffering of the men increased without signs of a resounding craft. The sea remained smooth throughout the night, and when day broke the greatly weakened survivors again hoisted their signals of distress, which were quickly sighted by a British ship.

Destroyer's List of Known Missing Revised to Total 85 Men.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Seven men not previously known to have been aboard the torpedoed destroyer Jacob Jones were added to the destroyer's list of known missing in a dispatch to the Navy Department from Vice Admiral Sims. The message also named four members of the crew who were not aboard when the ship was lost, and five others not listed as missing and who possibly had been transferred to another vessel before the Jones started on her last cruise.

The number of missing enlisted men was given as 45, or approximately the number given in earlier dispatches.

The seven added to the known missing are: George F. Rogers, fireman; Lewis, Mass.; James Cummings, seaman; Kansas City, Mo.; William T. Gifford, fireman; Dayton, Ohio; Henry J. LaCombe, fireman.

# ONE MAN POLICE RULE IN ST. LOUIS BEING DISCUSSED

Governor Said to Be Considering Plan of Having Board President in Complete Charge.

SALARY \$5000 OR MORE

Other Commissioners Merely Would Ratify His Decisions; Two Terms End Jan. 1.

By a Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 12.—Reorganization of the St. Louis Police Department soon after Jan. 1 is being considered by Gov. Gardner. Administration supporters believe he will request all members of the board to resign and appoint a new board, controlled by one commissioner.

The Governor has said there is harmony in the board, and that in so far as he knows St. Louis is well policed, but it is known the facts concerning the large number of robberies and burglaries in St. Louis and the small number of captures of professional criminals have been laid before him.

The Governor said to a Post-Dispatch reporter that he did not know that he would even appoint successors to Commissioners Fouke and Sheahan, whose terms expire Jan. 1.

St. Louis Mayor D. C. Rusk said the department seems to be in good shape, "and the terms of these commissioners will not end until I appoint their successors. It may be some time before I do anything in that matter."

The Governor has said he would recommend an amendment to the law to provide for one instead of four commissioners. It is understood here that the scheme under consideration for use before the Legislature could act, is to select a young man of recognized standing and ability for president of the board, and to arrange through donations to pay him at least \$5000 a year, instead of the \$1000 provided by law. The other members of the board, if the plan carries, will devote little time to police affairs and accept the recommendations of the chairman.

This probably would necessitate the resignations of Chairman Mansur and Commissioner Giraldis, neither of whom it is thought, would consent to become figureheads.

The Governor is not definitely committed to the plan, but he has disengaged it and some say he is even looking for the man to put in charge of the department.

St. Louis Politicians Active.—Meantime St. Louis politicians are trying to gain control of the police. Under the present board the Democratic City Committee are gaining an scant consideration in appointments. One of them recently said he had to go to Mayor Kiel to even get a hearing in his efforts to get a change in the board.

Arthur J. Donnelly, who supported Gardner in the primary and general election, expected to be considered when Police Board and all other jobs in St. Louis were filled, but was disappointed and changed from support of the Governor to open opposition to him.

Thousands Will Savel.—Where to buy and what to buy are the problems of the hour. Yet, they are easily solved if you read next morning's edition of the Post-Dispatch. Remember, it will help you buy better still, it will help you save.

## GERMANY ASKED ENGLAND TO TALK PEACE LAST SEPTEMBER

Foreign Secretary Balfour Tells Commons Communication Was Solicited, but No Reply Received.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Foreign Secretary Balfour told the House of Commons yesterday that communication had been received by Great Britain from Germany last September, through a neutral diplomatic channel, to the effect that Germany wished to discuss the possibility of a peace conference with Great Britain in regard to peace.

The British Government replied it was prepared to receive any communication from the German Government might decide to make, and to discuss it with Great Britain's allies. He said England's allies were informed of the offer.

Germany returned no reply. Balfour added.

Hinckley, N. Y.; Eugene J. Morgan, yeoman, Washington, D. C.; James S. Fitzgerald, gunner's mate, Augusta, Cornelia A. Lane, seaman, and James F. McManus, fireman.

The four who were not aboard when the destroyer went down were Lillious F. Dovelish, gunner's mate; Jeremiah Downing, machine's mate; Cornelius A. Lane, seaman and James F. McManus, fireman.

The five men who were on the latest muster roll of the Jacob Jones but not mentioned among the missing are: Frederick A. Marshall, seaman; Ralph Hanson Rogers, seaman; Emmett Roscoe Smith, machine's mate and Milton Lamar Snyder, gunner's mate.

## The Bank for Savings

Fourth Locust

# GERMAN TROOPS KILL 2 UNARMED U. S. ENGINEERS

Report Says Men Who Were Bearing Wounded British Officer Were Not Given Chance.

AIR FIGHT ON AMBULANCE

Sergeant Inside, Already Wounded, Slashed in Face by a Bullet.

By THOMAS M. JOHNSON, A Special Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

(Copyright, 1917, by Press Pub. Co.) WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 12.—That two American engineers acting as stretcher bearers were shot in cold blood by German soldiers in the recent attack on the British lines at Cambrai, the report received here by a New York surgeon attached to the force of American railway engineers who fought at Cambrai.

These two men, the report said, were unarmed, like the rest of their comrades, when the attack came and for some time they hid in a dugout. When they came out they found the trenches deserted. They did not know the Germans had passed and started toward the rear. On their way they found a wounded British officer on the ground and making a stretcher out of a blanket, started to carry him into a ruined village which they supposed was still occupied by the British.

Given no Chance for Life.—Suddenly some Germans appeared and despite the fact that the Americans had no weapons and were engaged in a work of mercy, they shot and killed both of the stretcher bearers, without giving them a chance to resist. They then dragged the wounded officer to their headquarters, where he was questioned in an endeavor to gain information as to the British strength.

The British officer refused absolutely to answer questions and so was dragged out and left on the ground again, though weak from loss of blood. Soon afterward there was a furious counter-attack by a handful of men from the Royal Irish Rifles, who recaptured the ruined village and saved the officer.

Another incident in the same battle drove home the truth of the British stories in regard to the German methods of fighting. This concerned an engineer Sergeant, a big Irishman from New York, whose wit and good nature had been the life of the company.

The Irish Sergeant was badly wounded in the Cambrai fighting and was being taken to the rear in an ambulance when a German tank, trying to force its way through the machine gun into the ambulance. At the time the vehicle was plainly marked by the Red Cross and must have been recognized by the German soldiers. One of the bullets slashed the Sergeant's face.

As more details become known as to how the Americans acted in the Cambrai surprise attack, the greater becomes their pride of their comrades in their achievement. One engineer, unable to get hold of a rifle, went at the Germans hand to hand, armed only with his spade. Swinging this implement with which he had been digging he killed two Germans before he himself was dropped.

Shoes Bother Wounded Man.—He was badly wounded in the head but insisted on walking back to the dressing station. Asked by an officer how he felt, the wounded engineer replied: "Oh, I'm all right except those damned shoes the Quartermaster served out to me are so tight in the walk."

Another engineer, an Alsatian, who was in the French army at the beginning of the war, was captured by the Germans and later escaped, gave proof at Cambrai that he did not wish to be taken by the Germans again. When the Germans swept over him in a dugout and destroyed all identification papers, then he crouched in the entrance with an open knife in his hand. When a German peered into the entrance the Alsatian rushed on him in an instant, killing him with the knife. The engineer afterward was rescued by the returning British.

## NEW SHIPS REPLACE LOSSES

LONDON, Dec. 12.—British tonnage completed in November was within measurable distance of the tonnage losses in that period by enemy attacks, it was announced in the House of Commons by Sir Leo Money, parliamentary private secretary to the Ministry of Munitions.

## SURE WAY TO GET RID OF DANDRUFF

There is one sure way that never fails to remove dandruff completely and that is to dissolve it. This dissolves it entirely. To do this, just get about four quarts of plain, ordinary liquid arvon; apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

By morning, most if not all, of your dandruff will be gone, and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single sign and trace of it, no matter how much dandruff you may have.

You will find, too, that all itching and digging of the scalp will stop instantly, and your hair will be fluffy, lustrous, glossy, silky and soft, and look and feel a hundred times better.

You can get liquid arvon at any drug store. It is inexpensive, and four ounces is all you will need. This simple remedy has never been known to fail.—ADV.

# FIRST AMERICAN SHOT AGAINST AUSTRIA FIRED

Representative Tinkham of Boston Pulled Spring Which Sent Shell Across the Pave.

ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Tuesday, Dec. 11.—The first American shot against Austria was fired by Representative Tinkham of Boston on the lower Pave, when Tinkham pulled a string firing a 148-millimeter (6-inch) gun, sending a shell hurtling across the Pave to the Austrian positions.

A huge cloud of black smoke marked the place where the shell burst. The Italian battermen cheered around the gun and raised a cheer as the American Congressman fired.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Congressman Tinkham, by firing an Italian gun at the Austrian positions, has taken on the status of a non-combatant attacking troops and, according to the rules of war, laid himself liable to execution by the Austrians should he by any chance fall into their hands. Under the laws of war, a civilian may never engage in hostilities.

The fact that war has been declared does not alter the situation, and any American engaging in hostilities, regardless of his position in civil life, is regarded as "franc-tireur."

## REED OPPOSES WEBB EXPORT BILL, URGED BY PRESIDENT

Declares Congress Should Defeat Action on Trade Measure and Concentrate on War Legislation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Warning that the United States must prepare to assume further burdens to win the war was given in the Senate yesterday by Senator Reed in his vigorous opposition to a trade measure the Webb export combination bill, which President Wilson, in his recent address, urged Congress to enact.

Declaring that Congress should concentrate upon great war problems and defer consideration of such legislation as the export trade measure, Reed said that with Russia out of the war and Rumania and Serbia in the hands of the enemy, the United States must now prepare to assume further burdens to win the war.

Although an opponent of army conscription, Senator Reed predicted that new draft levies probably would be necessary and urged military training for youths between 18 and 21 for coast defense work. Invasion of America, he asserted, was not beyond the realms of impossibilities, should other allied Powers fall beside Russia, Rumania and Serbia.

## SUFFERING AT BETHESDA HOME FOR LACK OF FUEL AND FOOD

Appeal Made for Funds When Coal Company Refuses Delivery Until "Bill Is Paid"

Mrs. J. L. Gray, auditor of the Bethesda Home, Grand and Vista avenues, where 300 children and elderly persons are cared for, today appealed to the public for funds for the Bethesda Home, which is suffering for lack of fuel and food.

She said the coal company which had been supplying the home with fuel has refused to deliver any more until its bill is paid, and that even the supply of food has become insufficient.

The Bethesda Home is a beneficiary under the will of Henry Wood, under which it may eventually receive several hundred thousand dollars, but the estate is in the hands of the courts. One engineer, unable to get hold of a rifle, went at the Germans hand to hand, armed only with his spade. Swinging this implement with which he had been digging he killed two Germans before he himself was dropped.

## AUSTRIAN BATTLESHIP WIEN SUNK; MOST OF CREW SAVED

Was Torpedoed Sunday Night, Vienna Statement Says—Was of 5512 Tons and Had Complement of 441 Men.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Austrian battleship Wien was torpedoed and sunk Sunday night according to a Vienna official statement received in Amsterdam and forwarded by the Central News. Most of the crew was saved.

The battleship Wien displaced 5512 tons and was laid down in 1898. She had a complement of 441 men. Her largest guns were four 9.4-inch and six 5.9-inch, and she had four torpedo tubes above the water.

## MAY CUT PASSENGER SERVICE

Frisco Predicts Western Roads Will Have to Take Off Trains.

Warning that further curtailment of passenger service on Western railroads probably will be necessary was issued today at the general offices of the Frisco Railroad.

It was stated that Eastern lines have called on Western lines for motive power, and as the Western lines are moving an enormous tonnage of freight, it is probable passenger service must be reduced in order to release engines for the Eastern roads.

## MAYOR NAVY RECRUITING AGENT

Commission for District Post Arrives at His Office.

Mayor Kiel has been commissioned as District Recruiting Agent for the Navy. A commission signed by Nelson Thomas, Lieutenant Junior grade of the Naval Reserve, and by Lieutenant-Commander E. A. Brooks, commanding the Naval Recruiting District of Missouri, was received at the Mayor's office today.

The Mayor is in Jefferson City attending a meeting of the State Council of Defense and has not been informed of his appointment.

Meyer Stays on Commerce Commission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Charles Meyer was reappointed today by President Wilson to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

# 200 MEN OFFER AID IN RED CROSS CAMPAIGN

Will Assist in Work for New Members—"Four-Minute Men" to Speak.

Chairman Harry Clark Barker of the Speakers' Bureau of the American Red Cross Christmas membership campaign has announced the enlistment of about 200 men for the work, including the "four-minute men" who are to sound the call to enrollment in picture and vaudeville theaters in St. Louis, St. Louis County and East St. Louis until the close of the movement, Dec. 24.

The speakers will assemble for a banquet at the St. Louis Club tomorrow evening, when several men and women close to the operations of the American Red Cross will speak. Mrs. Frank V. Hammar, chairman of the St. Louis Chapter, will explain the work done and being done by that organization in connection with the war and in a domestic war.

Harry Blackwell, who has been the American Red Cross ambulance corps in France for nearly six months, will tell of service at the front.

Shop Frederick F. Johnson will detail the aims and achievements of the Red Cross; Judge Thomas L. Anderson will discuss "The Red Cross Nurses"; and Hon. Charles M. Dwyer will speak on "The Relation of the Red Cross to Morale."

Sunday morning every pulpit in the local district will be occupied by a speaker assigned by Chairman Barker. Speakers will be assisted by soldiers and Red Cross nurses, who will appear with them. Speeches will be made in factories and business houses to employers and employees. Fraternal lodges and labor unions also are arranging for visits from speakers.

## PRESIDENT AND WAR BOARD CONFERRING ON RAILWAYS

Situation Also Being Discussed by Chairman Willard of Industries Board and Brotherhood Heads.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The next step in the solution of the transportation problem was looked for today in the outcome of two conferences, one between President Wilson and members of the Railroad War Board and the other between Chairman Willard of the War Industries Board and heads of the four railroad employer brotherhoods.

The President, in his first public utterance on the situation, authorized the statement yesterday that he could not say now whether he would address Congress, but if he decided to make a change necessary in dealing with the transportation system, his first word would be directed to Congress.

## 3 WOMEN REPORT BEING ROBBED

One Loses Mesh Bag Containing \$100 During Shopping Trip.

Mrs. Julia Winslow of 4118 Cleveland avenue told the police today while she was shopping yesterday afternoon her silver mesh bag containing \$100 and a check for \$100 was stolen.

Mrs. John A. Austin, 3630A North Sarah street, reported that yesterday afternoon her silver mesh bag containing \$100 and a check for \$100 was stolen.

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## AMERICAN WOMAN AT THRICE MARRIED

Former Mrs. Philip Van Buren Says She Is a Bride in Portugal's Family.

ROME, Dec. 12.—A woman Henriette of Duchess of Oporto, who was married to Philip Van Buren, a New York stock broker, was reported to be thrice married.

The Duke and the Duchess of Oporto were married on Sept. 24. Later ceremony in London. The Duke and the Duchess of Oporto were married on Sept. 24. Later ceremony in London.

## BUSINESS AMERICANS ARE FINDING MORE THAN TRADE OPPORTUNITY IN THE SOUTHERN AMERICAS

"The War has given me my first real vacation trip in twenty years," said a business man as he stepped from a Great White Fleet steamer, inbound from Panama.

By the South to see how many pairs of our shoes they needed—and let me tell you they needed more than I thought they did. And the best part of all was the trip. I wouldn't trade my new set of luggage and my new vitality for all the other in the world.

And what do you think he was actually doing? Not the Panama Canal, not the steamship line, not the Great White Fleet, but the quietest of all fields.

He was the chair of the United Fruit Company, and he was sitting on the edge of his seat, looking at the map of the Panama Canal, and he was saying to himself: "This is the Panama Canal, and this is the Panama Canal, and this is the Panama Canal."

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ROME, Dec. 12.—Princess Al-

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Duchess of Oporto, until recently

Mr. Phillip Van Valkenburgh of

New York, has sent a message to the

St. Louis Post-Dispatch correspondent from

Portugal, under date of Nov. 25,

in which she says:

"Only yesterday the last of the

formalities with Portugal, my hus-

band's country, were completed at

Lisbon. There were so many things

to be done about property and heri-

## Cartoon From the Trenches

Drawn by Capt. Bruce Bairnsfather of British Army in Flanders



Reproduced from his book, "Bullets and Billets."

## Capt. Bairnsfather Tells How a Relief Battalion 'Takes Over' Trench Sector

Never Realized the Luxury of Sleeping in a House, However Poor It Might Be, Until After He Had Spent His First Four Successive Nights at the Front.

This is the third installment of Capt. Bruce Bairnsfather's book, "Bullets and Billets," to be published in the Post-Dispatch.

By CAPT. BRUCE BAIRNSFATHER, Of the British Army in Flanders.

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CHAPTER V.

I was during this first time up in the trenches that I got a soldier's servant.

As I had arrived only just in time to go with the battalion to the trenches, the acquisition had to be made by a search in the mud. I found a fellow who hadn't been an officer's servant before, but who wanted to be. I liked the look of him, so feeling rather like Robinson Crusoe, when he looked up Friday, "I got me a man."

He lived in a dugout about five yards away, and from then onwards continued with me right to the point where this book finishes. This fellow of mine did all my cooking, such as it was, and worked in conjunction with my friend, the platoon commander's servant. Cooking, at the time I write about, consisted of making innumerable brews of tea and opening tins of bully and Marmite. The cookhouse was made up from about three to four miles away, from the Regimental Transport headquarters, to take all the trench "props" back to the billets.

We don't leave ourselves, until the "incoming" battalion has taken over. After what seems an interminable wait, we hear a clinking of mess tins and rattling of equipment, the clanking of feet in the mud, and much whispered profanity, which all goes to announce to you that "they're here!" Then you know that the other battalion has arrived, and are proud to take over these precious slots in the ground.

When the exchange is complete, we are free to go—to go out for our few days in billets!

The actual going out and getting clear of the trenches takes a long time. Handing over, and finally extricating ourselves from the morass in the dark, with all our belongings, is a lengthy process; and then we have about a mile of country which we have never been able to examine in the day time, and get familiar with, to negotiate. This is before we get to the high road, and really start for billets.

Departing Troops Cheerful Though Tired.

I had the different machine-gun sections to collect from their various guns, and this not until the relieving sections had all turned up. It was a good two hours' job getting all the sections with their guns, ammunition and various extras finally collected together in the dark a mile back, ready to put all the stuff in the limbers, and so back to billets. When all was fixed up, we gave the order and off we started, plodding along back down the narrow, dreary road toward our resting place. But it was quite a cheerful tramp, knowing as we did that we were going to four days' comparative rest and, anyway, safety.

On we went down the long, flat, narrow roads, occasionally looking round to see the faint flicker of a star shell showing over the tops of the trees, and to think momentarily of the "poor devils" left behind to take their turn.

Well, after the usual number of long days and still longer nights spent under these conditions, we came to the day when it was our turn to go out to rest billets, and a relieving battalion to come in. What a splendid day that is! You start "packing" at about 4 p. m. As soon as it is dark the servants clink off across that turnip morass behind and drag our few belongings back to where the limbers are. These

## GENERALS BEING EXAMINED FOR SERVICE IN FRANCE

Retirement of Some Officers Expected Because of Physical or Military Inefficiency.

ORDERED BY SECRETARY

Baker Points Out Conditions for Service in This War Are Unusually Severe.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Rigid investigation into the physical and military preparedness of all regular army and national guard general officers is under way today to determine their fitness for service in France.

The examination, ordered by Secretary Baker, is being made by medical and efficiency boards and is deemed necessary because of the unusually severe conditions of service in this war.

Early retirement or discharge of some of the general officers is to be expected as medical boards already have reported against men in both the regular and national guard units.

Statement by Baker.

The Secretary of War announced today that all general officers of the regular army and the national guard are being examined by medical boards and efficiency boards, with the view of determining the advisability of sending them for service abroad.

The conditions of foreign service in this war are unusual severe, requiring that general officers shall be not only adequately grounded in military science and adequately alert physically to acquire rapidly the lessons which the new form of warfare requires, but able to endure prolonged hardships.

The determinations of these boards are impersonal and in the interest of the success of our arms and the welfare both of leaders and men, will be affirmed by the department. This policy will no doubt commend itself to the people of the country as being in the public interest, and even where it is necessary to deny the opportunity for foreign service to soldiers of long experience it will be understood to imply nothing in the way prejudicial to the officers involved.

"Boards of this kind have already found some general officers of both the regular army and the national guard physically disqualified. Such findings do not mean that the officers upon the past success of the officer or upon his present seal and willingness to make personal sacrifices in the further service of his country, but the question to be determined is one of capacity to perform a highly specialized and arduous type of service."

Seniority Rule Followed.

The general officers of the national guard were taken into the Federal service with their state units without examination as to their professional qualifications. Some of them had service on the border during the guard mobilization and all of them have been under observation since the guard was called into Federal service for the war.

Most of the present regular army officers are men of low rank, who have been given general officers' commissions for the duration of the war only. They were selected, so far as the line officers are concerned, by the seniority rule which is followed with the nomination of men to permanent commissions in general grades of the army. By this process it has been the rule that seniority was followed, unless the records of an officer's service showed otherwise.

The new order undoubtedly will eliminate a very considerable number of general officers even of the grade of Major-General. It is understood that the lack of unity of command toward the appointment of Lieutenants-General as corps commanders until the War Department is satisfied with the result of its weeding out process among the Major and Brigadier-Generals.

Secretary Baker's statement carries a warning that no appeals from the boards will be considered. The dead wood is to be cut out with a firm hand, and with the confidence of the officers constituting the boards.

Brigadier-General Arthur B. Donnelly of St. Louis, commanding the brigade of Missouri and Kansas national guardmen at Camp Doniphan, Ok., is here for examination. Brigadier-General Harvey C. Clark of Nevada, Mo., underwent the examination here a few days ago.

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GOLDEN JUBILEE OF MGR. HOOG

Catholic Clergy to Participate in Celebration Dec. 26.

The celebration of the golden jubilee of the Rev. Mr. O. J. S. Hoog, Dec. 26, will be participated in by the Catholic clergy of the diocese, according to arrangements announced yesterday. The ceremonies will be held at 85. Peter and Paul's Church.

At 3 a. m. Mr. Hoog will celebrate mass exclusively for school children and at 8:30 pontifical high mass will be celebrated by Bishop Thomas F. Little of Kansas City. Following this mass, Archbishop John J. Glennon will address Mr. Hoog in behalf of the diocese and clergy. A formal dinner will be served at 12:30 in Oller Hall.

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London Times Charges British Were Caught Unready on Southern Line.

INQUIRY DEMANDED INTO REVERSAL ON CAMBRAI SALIENT

Officers in Pajamas Praised for Bravery When They Should Not Have Been Unprepared, Article Says.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Times in an editorial in unusually heavy type, calls for a "prompt, searching and complete inquiry" respecting "the reversal of fortune" on the British front during the tremendous struggle on the southern side of the new Cambrai salient on Nov. 30 and the two following days.

"It was perhaps hardly possible from day to day," the Times adds, "and certainly unwise to attempt an authoritative account of the situation as a whole, though we cannot longer be lulled with the fatuous estimates, for example, of the German losses in men and morale which have inspired too many of the published messages."

After asserting that the new line, as reconstituted, is securely held, the Times continues:

"The published and censored version of the battle is being amplified daily by innumerable disquieting first-hand accounts from officers and men, who participated in the actual fighting. It is highly time that this mass of partial information should be placed in the true perspective, and the blinding and blurring of the picture should be stopped."

The Times foretells a possible change that in its article it is intriguing against Field Marshal Haig by saying:

"There is no question whatever of turning a temporary set-back to the detriment of his great position of power. But it adds:

"His weakness, if it be a weakness, is inveterate devotion to those who have served his longest—some of them perhaps too long, or too long without a rest."

The newspaper says further that the Germans clearly took advantage of the brilliant success to strike back unexpectedly, a "wholly unexpected" part of the line and referring to individual deeds of valor in this fighting already recorded—Generals fighting in pajamas and doctors interrupted in dressing wounds.

"They are all magnificent, but should never have occurred."

Agitation Increases for a Supreme Commander of Allied Armies.

P. ARIS, Dec. 12.—The actual participation of French and British troops with the Italian armies to stem the onrush of the Austro-German offensive, the relinquishment by the British of a part of their gains at Cambrai, the conviction that the allies must prepare to meet and defeat a new great German drive on the western front have given a renewed impetus to the agitation for a supreme single command of the allied forces.

"It is pointed out that the Cambrai offensive was purely British, that there is no evidence of any arrangement made for simultaneous pressure on the French front, where the only activity was a local attack near Verdun, which was not on a large enough scale to aid the British."

The German papers also are commenting on the lack of unity of command among the allies. Der Tag says:

"Among our enemies, despite an abundance of talk, there is no sincere or profound understanding of the situation. The Italians fear that some day they may have to pay for the aid given by their more powerful allies."

Gen. Cherilla, a military writer in the Gotha, is declaring that America possesses the clearest perspective in its belief that the defeat of the central empires will be seriously retarded without unity of command, says:

"It is not likely that the three-headed supreme war council at Versailles will solve the problem, nor does it appear that the inter-allied conference realized the independence of unity of command. America entered the war disinterestedly, fighting for the ideals and principles of democracy. Unhindered by particular interests, she has the clearest view. The powerful influence of her President, which has become the keynote of our coalition, makes the entente feel the necessity of unity of all efforts. On the seas a British High Admiral, in economical direction an American statesman, on land a French generalissimo."

Kills Wife and Three Others.

MILLVILLE, N. J., Dec. 12.—After a quarrel with his wife over the custody of their daughter, James Boreca last night shot and killed his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Deluca and the 5-year-old daughter of the Delucas. Sylvia Boreca, the 12-year-old daughter, whose fiancé had been shot, escaped.

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Fourth Locust

## LEADS HOW HE TO BE AIDING POOR IN STOCKHOLM

James Eads How, widely known as the "millionaire hobo," and actual inheritor of a quarter of a million dollars from his mother's estate, is still in Stockholm, Sweden, where he went last May to attend a projected Socialist peace conference.

Former Judge Jesse A. McDonald, executor of How's inheritance, disapproved of which is in trust, said today to a Post-Dispatch reporter that he understood How was doing philanthropic work among the poor of Stockholm. He said he had never heard when How intended to return to the United States.

After How arrived in the Swedish capital last May, it was officially announced in Washington that any American taking part in the projected peace conference would be subject to a penalty of three years' imprisonment and \$5000 fine. The Government had regarded the meeting as a part of German propaganda.

Delegates Denied Passports.

It was stated at that time that How was the only American who had reached Stockholm for the meeting. The American Socialist party elected Victor Berger and Morris Hillquit, delegates, but the United States Government refused to issue passports to them. Because of this refusal, How sent a message of protest to the State Department.

The Stockholm affair dragged through the summer, and its chief result was the announcement of a "program" which declared against indemnity for Belgium, "because indemnity would be difficult to determine, which belligerents were responsible for damages." The meeting otherwise showed its pro-German character.

Dispatches did not indicate whether How actually participated in the meeting, and it has never been made known officially whether the United States Government has any objection pending against him. In some quarters it is believed that How is prolonging his stay in Sweden because he is uncertain as to the Government's attitude toward him.

Welfare Society Gets No Word.

The belief was expressed at the headquarters of the Brotherhood Welfare Association, which is followed by How and was considered a personal organization, but which is keeping alive in his absence. How went to Stockholm ostensibly as the association's representative. At the association's headquarters, 1110 Clark avenue, it was said that no word had been received from How since he left this country last spring, and that no money had come from him.

How, who is in his forties, became known here nearly 20 years ago through his voluntary choice of a life of poverty, and his interest in hoboes and down-and-outers. While the title of "millionaire" has been applied to him, he never had much money of his own until, six years ago, left him \$125,000 outright, and an equal sum in trust. Conventioneers of the unemployed were, however, and such activities have brought him into conflict with the police officials of some cities. His simplicity of character and evident sincerity have thus far kept him out of serious personal trouble.

6540 Enlist in Army in Day.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Regular army recruiting increased Monday to unprecedented proportions, a total of 6540 men being accepted throughout the country. Pennsylvania led with 848. The rush is due to the desire of men of draft age to enter the service voluntarily before Dec. 15, after which date they no longer can enter as volunteers.

1800 DEAD IS REVISED ESTIMATE AT HALIFAX

Loss of Casualties Becoming Smaller as Resettlement Accelerated and Refugees Return.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 12.—A revised estimate today of the explosion casualties reduces the death list to approximately 1800. The known dead total 800 and it is believed that not more than 1000 bodies and perhaps only 900, still lie under the debris of shattered and burned buildings.

The list of dead is steadily becoming smaller as relatives are reunited and refugees who left the city return. From 300 to 500 persons are totally or partly blind and 200 children have lost their parents, according to the American and Canadian workers investigating the situation. The Boston relief ship Calvin Austin entered the harbor today.

BRITISH CASUALTIES FOR WEEK NUMBER 23,356

Decrease of 5528 From Preceding Report Shows—539 Officers Killed or Die of Wounds.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The British casualties reported for the week ending yesterday numbered 23,356 as compared with 28,923 in the previous week.

The casualties were as follows: Killed or died of wounds: Officers 539; men, 5482; wounded or missing, officers, 578; men, 14,967.

Meatless Days at Camp Funston.

CAMP FUNSTON, Kans., Dec. 12.—"Meatless and wheateness" days were inaugurated for the eighty-ninth division of the national army yesterday by an order of the commanding General.

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## BAIRNSFATHER TELLS HOW RELIEF BATTALION TAKES TRENCH SECTOR

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shrines, and occasional windmills, down the long, winding road for about four miles, until at last we reached our billets, where the battalion willingly halted and dispersed to its various quarters. I and my machine gun section had still to carry on, for we lived apart, a bit further on, at the Transport Farm. So we continued on our own for another mile and a half, past the station at Romerich, out on towards Neuve Eglise to our Transport Farm. This was the usual red-tiled Belgian farm, with a rectangular smell in the middle.

### CHAPTER VI.

#### Floored by the Flemish.

IT was about 9 p. m. when we turned into the courtyard of the farm. My Sergeant saw to the unlimbering, and dismissed the section, whilst I went into the farm and dismantled myself of all my tackle, such as revolver, fieldglass, greatcoat, haversack, etc.

My servant had, of course, preceded me, and by the time I had made a partial attempt at cleaning myself, he had brought in a meal of sorts and laid it on the oilcloth-covered table by the stove. I was now joined by the transport officer and the regimental quartermaster. They lived at this farm permanently, and came to the trenches on occasional excursions. They had both had a go at the nasty part of warfare though, before this, so although consumed with a smacking envy, I was full of respect for them.

We three had a very merry and genial time together. We now had something distinctly resembling a breakfast, a lunch and a dinner each day. The transport officer took a lively interest in the efforts of Messrs. Fortnum and Mason, and thus added generously to our menus. It was a glorious feeling, pushing open the door of that farm and coming in from all the wet, darkness, mud and weariness of four days in the trenches. After the supper, I disappeared into the back kitchen place and did what was possible in the shaving and washing line. The Belgian family were all herded away in here, as their front rooms were now our exclusive property. I have never quite made out what the family consisted of, but approximately I should think, mother and father and 10 children. I am pretty certain about the children, as about half a platoon stood around me while shaving, and solemnly watched me with dull brown Flemish eyes. The father kept in the background, resting, I fancy, from his usual day's work of hiding unattractive turnips in enormous numbers, under mounds of mud—the only form of farming industry which came under my notice in Flanders.

She Watched the Main Chance. The mother, however, was "all there," in more senses than one. She was of about observation balloon proportions, and had an unerring eye for the main chance. Her telephone address, I should imagine, was "Floorem." She had one sound commercial idea, i. e., "charge as much as you can for everything they want, hide everything they do want, and slowly collect any property, in the way of food, they have in the cellar; so that, in the future, there shall be no lack of bully and jam in our farm, at any rate."

They had one farm laborer, a kind of epileptic who, I found out, gave his services in return for being fed—no pay. He will regret this contract of his in time, as the food in question was bully beef and plum and apple jam, with an occasional change to Maconochie and apple and plum jam. That store in the cellar absolutely precluded him from any change from this diet for many years to come. Of course, I must say his work was not such as would be classed amongst the skilled or intellectual trades; it was, apparently, to pump all the accumulated drainage from a subterranean vault out into the yard in front, about twice a week, the rest of his time being taken up by assisting at the hiding of the turnips.

After I had washed and shaved under the critical eyes of Angele, Rachel, Andre & Co., I retired into an inner chamber which had once been an apple store, and went to bed on a straw mattress in the corner. Pyjamas at last! and an untroubled sleep. Occasionally in the night one would wake and, listening at the open window, would hear the distant rattle of rifle fire far away beyond the woods.

Wallowing in Rest Four Days. These four days at the Transport Farm were days of wallowing in rest. There was, of course, certain work to be done in connection with the machine gun department, such as recharging and cleaning the guns, and drilling the section at intervals; but the evenings and nights were a perfect joy after those spent in the trenches.

One could walk about the fields near by; could read, write letters, and sleep as much as one liked. And if one wished, walk or ride over to see friends at the other billets. Ah, yea! ride—I am sorry to say that riding was not, and is not, my forte. Unfortunately this, as the machine gun officer is one of the few privileged to have a horse. I was entitled to ride to the trenches, and ride away from them, and during our rest, ride wherever I wanted to go; but these advantages, so coveted by my horseless pals in the regiment, left me cold. I never will be any good at the "Hauts Ecoles" yet, I'm sure, although I made several attempts to get a liking for the subject in France. When the final day came for our departure to the trenches again, I rode from that Transport Farm.

Riding in England, or in any civilized country, is one thing, and riding in those barren, shell-torn wastes of Flanders is another. The usual darkness, rain, and mud per-

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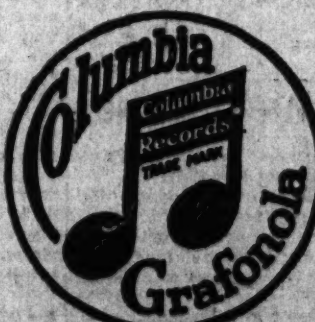
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## Underwear---The Practical Gift

BEAUTIFUL Silk Underwear, rich in color and in texture, so suitable as gifts—warm Cotton and Woolen Garments to meet the present needs.

Fine Italian Silk Envelope Chemise, white or pink—neatly trimmed with lace, in several different patterns, \$3.25

Italian Silk Vests, white or pink, bodice style, with lace-trimmed edge, \$2.00

"Kaiser" Silk Union Suits, white or pink, plain or beautifully embroidered, \$4.25

Glove Silk Vests, beautifully trimmed with lace, in many different designs, \$1.75

Italian Silk Bloomers, white or pink, well reinforced, \$3.00

Beautiful Lace-Trimmed Bloomers, white or pink, many different patterns, \$3.25 to \$5.00

Glove Silk Union Suits, for the stylish stout figure. Beautiful garments, neatly finished, tailored top, reinforced, \$5.00

Silk-and-Wool Union Suits, very fine quality, several different styles, \$3.50. Extra sizes, \$4

Silk-and-Cotton Union Suits, low neck, sleeveless. High neck, long sleeves. All ankle length, \$1.50. Extra sizes, \$1.75

Silk-top Union Suits, white or pink, well reinforced—special, \$1.00. Extra sizes, \$1.25

Cotton Union Suits, heavily fleeced, various styles, \$1.50. Extra sizes, \$1.75



Cotton Union Suits, medium weight, several different styles, \$1.25. Extra sizes, \$1.50.

(Main Floor.)

## Gloves for Gifts

—Are Very Popular

"Adler" Washable Kid Gloves, for women, in gray, tan, ivory, putty, pearl, black and white—at, pair, \$2.00

"Perrin" Gloves, of fine light-weight kid, oversize sewn, of imported French kid—pair, \$2.25

"Adler" Washable Duplex Gloves, military style, with strap wrist of best quality Sea Island cotton, in white and natural shades—at, pair, \$2.00

"Kaiser" Chamotte Gloves, wide embroidered backs—at, pair, \$1.00

Children's Kid Gloves, with seamless knit linings—at, Pr., \$1.15

Children's warm fleeced-lined Dogskin Gauntlet Gloves, all sizes, in black, at, pair, \$1.25

Children's best quality Tarn Gloves, in all colors—at, pair, 69c

(Main Floor.)

## Men's Bathrobes

Some Exceptional Values

EACH group represents extreme value-giving, and includes splendid new Bathrobes well suited for gifts.

There are Chinese, Indian, plaid, allover figured and striped patterns. Some made up plainly, others with cord edging, and have either cord or button fastenings. Different models have shawl and turndown collars, with belt or waistcord, and are trimmed with pockets.

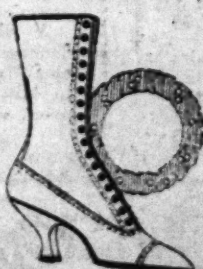
There are small, medium and large sizes. Three-piece groups at—

\$3.85 \$4.95 and \$5.95

(Men's Store—Main Floor.)

## Women's High-Grade Shoes

Specialty \$6.95  
Priced at



THOUGH Christmas shopping now occupies the first attention of women, we have not overlooked some very special Footwear values, as this offering will show.

The Shoes are smart, of style, made of fine dark gray kidskin, with hand-turned soles and high French heels. They have plain or perforated tips.

Also included are dark Havana brown kidskin, with leather French heels, or English Walking Shoes of tan or Havana brown kidskin.

Women's Felt Slippers, in new delicate shades, ribbon trimmed, embroidered or in combination of colors. There are high and low styles, with padded wool or leather soles, \$1.25 to \$1.50 pair

(Main Floor.)

## Sample Madeira Handkerchiefs

at 50c, 75c and \$1.00 Ea



GOOD fortune timed the arrival of these dainty Handkerchiefs just when so many are seeking ideal Christmas gifts. They represent the sample line of New York's largest importer, who being unable to secure any further shipments of these numbers, turned them over to us at a great discount, which we pass to you.

The very newest ideas in embroidering are included in this splendid showing of All-linen Handkerchiefs. Dainty eyelet designs, in small effects, others in the larger and more elaborate styles, with all-around scalloped edges. For easy selection they have been divided into three great groups. Each price assortment represents unusual values.

The Handkerchiefs are all clean and perfect, and ready for gift giving.

(Main Floor.)

## Fancy Goods

GIFT suggestions that will meet ready approval.

Painted Work Baskets, of every description, in floral, conventional or Chinese design—also some Scrap Baskets—priced at \$1.50 to \$5.00

Handpainted Novelties, such as Tie Holders, Match Safes, Towel Holders, Bud Vases, Telephone Masks, Sweater Hangers, Door Stops and other useful gifts, 25c to \$3.95

Imitation Filet Lace Scarfs, some all-over, others with linen centers—size from 20x36 to 20x72 inches—priced \$1.00 to \$5.00

Also Centerpieces, Doylies and Chair Backs to match. (Second Floor.)

## Greeting Cards

—to be engraved, should be ordered at once to guard against disappointment in delivery. Place your order now if you wish these cards.

We show many patterns, and our prices are unusually low.

Gift Stationery, \$1.25 Box

Hundreds of beautiful Gift Boxes of Wrapping Paper and Correspondence Cards, of excellent stock, and put up in dainty boxes. (Main Floor.)



## Turkfit Guest Sets

THESE Sets afford a distinctly new idea in gifts, and consist of two Turkfit Bleached Bath Towels and two Turkfit Face Cloths. The towels and face cloths are embroidered and have shell edge that looks like the real hand-crochet, and come in dainty shades of pink, blue, yellow and lavender.

Each Set is put up in a neat box, priced at, set, \$1.50

(Sixth St. Highway—Main Fl.)

## Practical Novelties

Ribbon Chatelaine Sets of white ivory—Shoe Horn, Stiletto, etc.—some with Seashells, Bodkins and other useful sewing and dressing table articles—priced, 25c to \$1.50

Fancy Garters, in a pretty array of colors, in fancy Christmas boxes—at 25c to \$1.75

Frisled Webs for making garters, popular shades—yard, 25c to \$1.00

And many other dainty but useful Novelties for the sewing room, such as Wark Boxes, Thread Holders, Fancy Emeries, etc. These are gifts which will please mother, sister or daughter.

(Notion Section—Main Floor.)

## Sample Dresses

Choice \$1.29  
at

AGAIN good fortune comes to women who can wear sample sizes. These Dresses, secured from a reliable maker, came to us at a good discount, and are offered at savings that correspond with the ones we made.

There are but one or two of a style, and for the most part, are made of gingham. Some in straightline models, others waistline effects.

Being samples, sizes are limited to 36, 38 and 40, and a limited quantity makes early selection imperative.

(Second Floor.)



## What Wonderful Toys!

GENIUS has played a great role in their production. A dominant idea has been to make them useful and instructive. The makers have succeeded wonderfully well. Myriads of them, each as interesting as the other it seems. And old Santa, too, is here to greet the little folks.

Girls' Tricycles, adjustable seat, rubber-tired wheels, \$6.95

Cyclone Windmills, as illustrated—a new and interesting toy for the little tots. Complete with sand, at \$1.00

Hottelid, a new Christmas Doll for boys or girls—prettily dressed in red or green, \$1.00

Patriotic Dolls, boys or girls, dressed in patriotic colors. Every youngster will want one. Specially priced at 69c

Bicycles, roller bearing, lamp or bracket, front and rear wheels—equipped with mud guards and 1 1/2-inch pneumatic tires, saddle coil spring, leather pad top—special at \$3.50

Lionel Electric Trains, consisting of locomotive, tender, passenger car and track—special at \$3.99

Hand Cars for boys and girls—have rubber-tired wheels—special at \$2.99

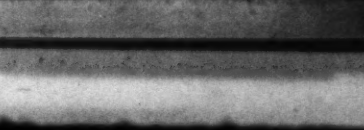
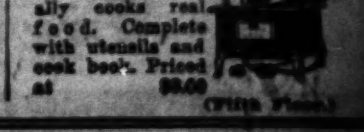
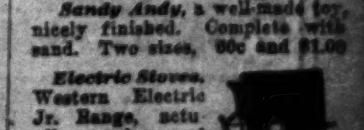
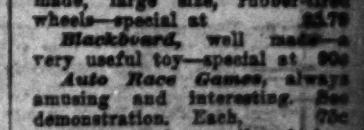
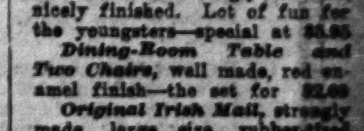
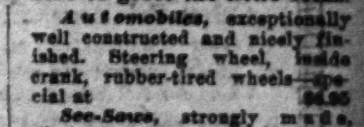
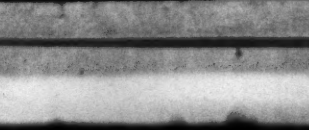
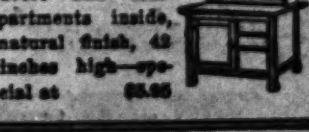
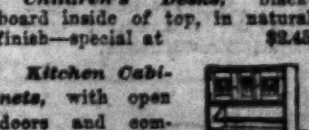
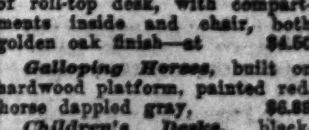
Book Set Outfit, consisting of roll-top desk, with compartments inside and chair, both golden oak finish—at \$4.50

Galloping Horses, built on hardwood platform, painted red, horse dappled gray, \$4.50

Children's Pianos, blackboard inside of top, in natural finish—special at \$2.45

Kitchen Cabinets, with open doors and compartments inside, natural finish, 48 inches high—special at \$2.95

Electric Stoves, Western Electric Jr. Range, actually cooks real food. Complete with utensils and cook book. Priced at \$9.95



## This Queen Anne Period Spinnet Desk at \$29.75

—is a very handsome present, and is but one of the countless suggestions that the Furniture Store offers.

The Desk is of American walnut or brown mahogany, hand-rubbed, and as shown in illustration. It has sliding writing space, large drawer and is fitted with good lock.

Many other Writing Desks are offered at various prices.

Princella Sewing Cabinets, solid mahogany, sliding divided partition, \$4.95

Mahogany Smokers' Stands, portable, with glass humidifier and glass ash tray, \$3.95

Mahogany Library Tables, Colonial designs, 40x38 inches, hand rubbed, \$23.95

Tea Carts, solid mahogany, artillery wood wheels, rubber-tired, removable tray, \$2.95

(Sixth Floor.)



to 6 P. M.

later than 6 o'clock in the evening of Saturday, Sept. 10. They should be in the chairman's office by 9 o'clock.



## THE TINY TINS WILL HAVE A PART IN CHRISTMAS FETE

Special Arrangements Will Be Made for Them to Be Guests at the Coliseum.

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE POST-DISPATCH CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Previously acknowledged	\$546.15
Total of lists yesterday	\$4.75
Bro. Lumber Co.	5.00
Wright Bldg.	5.00
W. F. Andrews	7.00
Chastant	3.00
James M. Breckenridge	1.00
Waterman, M. A. A.	2.00
M. N. A.	1.00
Miss Esther Steinhaufel	1.00
Miss Rose Wilken	1.00
Women's Auxiliary, St. Louis	1.00
Laundrymen's Club	5.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$622.90</b>

(Sum of individual contributors in this printed elsewhere.)

The Tiny Tins of St. Louis are to have a part in the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival. The little shuttles who rarely get to go anywhere are especially invited to the big Christmas party at the Coliseum in the forenoon of Dec. 21.

For the last six years Miss Sara Elizabeth Edwards has devoted her time at the Christmas season to bringing happiness and joy to the hosts of the Tiny Tins of the city. Groups of letters are received from these little friends and all letters are personally answered by Miss Edwards. The children have grown to feel the spirit expressed by the Post-Dispatch Festival on Christmas Day is the brightest spot in their year's experience.

Special seats are always arranged for lame children and a special committee assists each child to enjoy the Festival to the fullest. Every lame child in the city is invited to write to Miss Edwards, care of the Post-Dispatch, at once, giving address very plainly, so tickets may be sent. Any person knowing of a lame child that would enjoy the Festival is also invited to notify Miss Edwards. Two tickets are sent in each instance, so that the child can be accompanied by a caretaker.

The Tiny Tim Committee comprises Mrs. R. C. Eggerbrecht, Mrs. Florence English, Mrs. Marion R. Bullard, Mrs. A. L. Stone, Miss Anna Kibben, Mrs. Frank Phelps, Miss Janet Bullard, and Miss Edwards, chairman.

Samples of the 22,000 toys which are to be given away to the poor children of the city by the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Association Christmas day have reached association headquarters at 310 North Twelfth street and are being put on display in the window, where their inspection is invited.

A woman who signed herself "Mrs. G." wrote in a letter in which she enclosed \$3: "I give to one of the greatest things your paper ever did. May a little heart would ache but for this good deed of yours; and, oh, that I had more to give. But imagine this small amount will help to make a Merry Christmas for someone."

Special American Post-Dispatch Christmas Restaurant Thursday, 610 St. Charles—ADV.

Japanese a U. S. Officer. HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 12.—Went Lieutenant K. Sakai, a Hawaiian-born Japanese, who received his commission at a reserve officers' training camp, just closed at Schofield Barracks, here, is said to be the only Japanese officer in the United States army.

### Post-Dispatch Christmas Fund Has No Collectors

FOR the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund there are no collectors of contributions. The young women who are distributing the Festival subscription lists are specifically instructed not to ask for money for the fund, and not to accept it if it should be offered.

Anyone desiring to contribute money can do so at any of the 25,000 offices and business places where subscription lists are being sent, or it can be sent to the Post-Dispatch direct, or it will be received at the headquarters of the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Association at 310 North Twelfth street. Every contribution made in any way will be acknowledged in the Post-Dispatch.

**BASKET APPLICATIONS.** APPLICATIONS for Christmas dinner baskets must be in the hands of the Basket List Committee not later than 6 o'clock on the evening of Saturday, Dec. 15. They should be sent in writing to the chairman of the committee, Dr. George B. Man-

Store Open Until 9 P. M.  
**Nugent's**  
Central 3900 Olive 3900

## HERE'S THE SILK SHIRT SALE

That Will Start All St. Louis Talking.

Thousands of Shirts—Thousands of Patterns—Thousands of Gifts



Regular \$3.50 and \$5.00 Shirts go on sale tomorrow at

You'll find Satin Striped Tub Silks, Fibre, and Silk and Cotton, Fine Silk Striped Madrases

Doors Open at

7:30 a. m.

For the benefit of those who go to work early and who wish to take advantage of this opportune event.

Remember—Sale is on Second Floor

This Stupendous Sale of Shirts

which will be held tomorrow, will be greater than ever, bigger than ever and better than ever.

Of such magnitude is this sale of Silk Shirts that we are compelled to take a great section of our SECOND FLOOR, right off the main elevators, and with a great force of extra salespeople to handle this tremendous sale.

Tall men, big men, little men and average men attend this sale. We have sizes to fit you.

A Splendid Xmas Gift Would Be One of These

### SWEATERS

at \$5.00



All-Wool Heavy Sweaters; sailor collars and belted models; white with contrasting collar, cuffs and belts of navy, rose, green and corn. All sizes.

Women's Wool, Double Link Knit Sweater Coats; belted or the sash models; sailor or Byron collars; solid shades of rose, green, brown and gray, or the above shades with contrasting stripes on collar, cuffs and pocket. All sizes.

Women's Beautiful "Slip-on" Models of Shetland wool; featuring the brush wool collar and cuffs, or can be had with self collar and cuffs, ornamented with stripes of contrasting color; fitted rib waistline; colors of salmon, Nile, turquoise and light blue. Sizes 38 to 42.

These exceedingly low prices and our enormous assortments are the reason why we are selling so many

### Bath Robes

Another Great Lot for Thursday's Selling

Lot No. 1—Men's \$3.50 "Beacon" Blanket Robes; checkered patterns, in small, medium and large sizes; Thursday.....\$2.95

Lot No. 2—Men's \$4.50 Blanket Robes; plain and floral designs; roll and Byron collars; all sizes; Thursday.....\$4.65

Lot No. 3—Men's \$7.50 Blanket Robes; embroidered designs; roll and Byron collars; all sizes; Thursday.....\$5.65

Lot No. 4—Men's \$8.50 Blanket Robes; shawl collar of Byron style; matched waist and neck cords; Thursday.....\$6.65

Lot No. 5—Men's \$12.50 Fine Blanket Bath Robes; solid colors and fancy designs; all sizes; Thursday.....\$9.65

### Christmas Slippers



Leather slippers, warm felt slippers and fancy slippers for dress occasions, for men, women and children.

Women's Styles include fur-trimmed Juliettes, ribbon-trimmed Juliettes and several styles of "Comfy" Slippers. Many colors. Prices.

\$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00

Children's Styles include fur-trimmed Juliettes and "Comfy's." Prices.

\$1.00, \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.35

Just in time for Xmas buying comes this

### \$1.00 Sale of

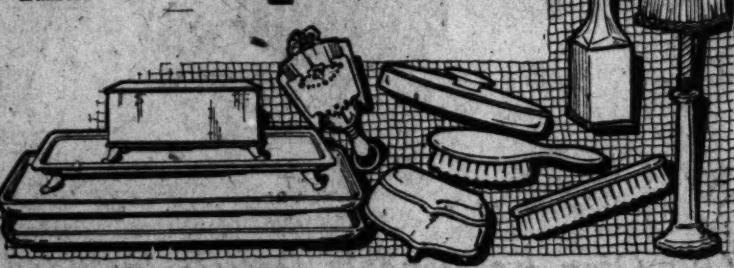
### IVORY TOILET ARTICLES

Many beautiful articles of ivory that will please and help to complete ivory sets.

Trays  
Combs  
Bouquet Brushes  
Perfume Bottles  
Candle Sticks  
Buffers

\$1

Mirrors  
Picture Frames  
Whisk Brooms  
Puff Boxes  
Hair Receivers  
(Main Floor.)



### Xmas Handkerchiefs

For the Entire Family

Never were our Xmas stocks so big and so well assorted. Qualities, the best obtainable from the markets of the world. BUY NOW.

Men's Linen Initials

6 for \$1.50

Irish linen; good quality; neatly hemstitched hem; embroidered with three styles of letters—open work block, Longfellow and plain block.

Men's Linen Initials

6 for \$2.25

Irish linen; very good quality; shire hemstitched hem; hand-embroidered in old English script or block initial.

Men's Plain Linen

19c

Irish linen; good quality; regular size; neatly hemstitched hem.

Women's Embroidered

19c

Either Irish linen hand-embroidered or Swiss embroidered mercerized lawn; big variety of pretty designs.

Women's Linen Initials

15c

Several pretty designs of letter, both in white and colors; neatly embroidered on Irish linen.

Women's Linen Initials

19c

Good quality cambric Irish linen; neatly hemstitched hem; desirable patterns of initials embroidered in white.

Children's Peek-a-Boo

Box 29c

Three pretty silk handkerchiefs to the box; nursery rhyme and Peek-a-Boo scenes in color; three different styles to the box.

### \$1.35 WIDE SILK SCARFS

Thursday, 89c

Shoulder Throws made of silk and cotton jacquard cloth; floral design; white and pink only.

Not Guineas of Extra Fine Bretonne Nets; high military collar; white or black.

Rounder Caps Made of Net or Silk; daintily ornamented in a selection of pretty patterns; light blue, pink, beige, or maize.

Lace Vests, high or low collars; made of attractive Oriental lace edges; white or ecru.

Satin Tuxedo Sets; white only; various styles to select from; set.

Windsor Ties; a selection of new effects; dark or light colors.

50c

(Main Floor.)

### Let the Columbia Grafonola Be Your Big Christmas Gift

Columbia 35, with \$4.50 in records of your own selection (total price \$49.50), payments as little as

First Payment \$5.00 and

\$1.25 per week

Let us show you our large assortments for Christmas giving.



(Balcony Annex.)

Large Varieties for Gift Selecting at

### THE GLOVE STORE

WOMEN'S WHITE

KID GLOVES

\$2.25

One clasp; "Bacno" make; soft and warm; two-toned black-embroidered back.

Trefousse two pearl clasp best quality French Kid Gloves; in color, also white or black. These

made ideal gifts.....\$3.00

Children's Gloves; wonderful variety; gauntlets, velours and cape gloves; all warm fleece line; just what boys and girls want.....85c

Men's Gloves for the automobile; a wonderful assortment at reasonable prices; leather and lamb lined; velours, furs, etc.....\$1.50 to \$15.00

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### \$1.50 Smoking Stands

Thursday, \$1

Mahogany Smoking Stand with glass tray.

60c Mahogany Smoking Stand with glass tray; Thursday.....49c

\$1.75 Japanese Hand-carved Wood Jar-Bowl; 8 1/2 x 4 1/2; highly polished; Thursday.....\$1.29

\$7.50 51-Piece Japanese China Tea Set; Blue Bird pattern; \$7.50 Thursday.....\$4.95

\$1.25 Glass Flower Bowl, with artificial water-proof flowers; 8 inches; Thursday.....89c

60c English Northern Teapots, glass rock and Tokyo mottled size; Thursday.....49c

Japanese Inlaid Plates, imported direct from the Orient; very handsome designs; choice.....\$1.00

\$2.50 Crack Egg Nut Bowl; mahogany bowl; patent crack; Thursday.....\$1.95

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### T-O-Y-S

Are Here in Great Varieties

Anchor Building Blocks.....50c to \$5

Wonder Automobiles.....\$1.00

War Ships, nicely painted.....25c

Jumping Ropes, with handles.....25c

Wooden Puzzle Blocks.....25c

Doll Beds.....50c, 75c and \$1.00

Rockers.....\$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$5

Shooflys.....95c to \$5.











**Found Dead With Gas Jet Open.**  
Jacob Schick, 51 years old, a widower, of 1721 North Grand avenue, was found dead in his room at 4 p. m. yesterday. A gas jet was open. The police believe that his death was the result of an accident.

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Come in! Demand the same style, fit, material and tailoring you would expect in clothes usually priced \$20 and \$25. You will find them all here, backed by the guarantee of absolute satisfaction, in these usual

**\$25 & \$20 Values**  
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**How It Is Done.**  
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**Hudson Seal & Nutria FUR COLLARS**  
\$7.75

The Usual \$10 & \$12 kind Adjustable to Any Overcoat

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This business, "the largest of its kind in the world," is a monument to the proverb, "Honesty is the best Policy."—ADV.

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Many fat people fear ordinary means for reducing their weight. Here is an extraordinary method. Extraordinary because while perfectly harmless no dieting or exercise are necessary. Marmite is made of the finest Marmite. A reduction of two, three, four, pounds a week is the rule. Free trial, from any druggist, or if you send 15 cents to the Marmite Co., 100 N. 10th St., St. Louis, Mo.

## ST. LOUISAN TAKES AIRPLANE FLIGHT WITH REX BEACH

**Adolph Drey of Westminster Place Writes to Mother of His Experience.**

**TRAINING NEAR OXFORD**  
Young Aviation Student Says Americans Have Won Favor in England.

Adolph Drey of 4543 Westminster place, a student aviator in training in England, has written an interesting account of his experiences to his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Drey. Before enlisting in the aviation section last May, Drey was elected president of the senior class at Washington University. He was sent to a "ground" school at Champaign, Ill., and later to England.

Drey made his first flight under the tutelage of Rex Beach, the novelist. His letter in part is as follows: "There are two flying fields close by and this morning the sky was literally speckled with all manner and kind of aircraft. In the afternoon I went over to one of the fields and made the acquaintance of one of the head instructors. He invited me to take a trip with him, and I donned a leather coat, helmet and goggles and hopped into the observer's seat. The drone of that motor was music to my ears.

"Soon the altimeter in front of my seat registered 1000 feet, while the speed indicator swung around to 90 miles an hour. We climbed steadily to about 2500 feet and then set out across country. Country looked fair to him. "I looked over the side and saw far below the straightly blocked English meadows through which a silver ribbon of a river wound. Here and there a town could be seen, recognizable by the closely grouped houses. I tell you England seemed mighty fair to me then, and the unpleasant memories of preceding weeks on the ground were wiped off the slate. "We flew around for about 25 minutes and then spiraled down. So rapid was our descent that the ground seemed to rush up to meet the plane. The pilot made a splendid landing and taxied the machine to a position in front of the hangar. My first flight was over. Perhaps it will interest you to know that my pilot was Rex Beach, the author, who has a commission in the British army. Upon his arrival in England with the American aviation detachment, Drey and other Americans were billeted at Exeter College, Oxford. He wrote from there Oct. 7:

"You can well imagine my feeling when I ascended the deeply worn steps of the staircase to my room. The building was erected some time in the fifteenth century, but the grooves in the steps had been worn by the tread of thousands for centuries past. I was greatly surprised at the welcome extended us by the British. One ordinarily thinks of the English as more or less cold, reticent hosts. But I assure you the greeting we received was well nigh royal. The cadets attending the English aviation school here are all of the 'hall fellow met' type.

**Americans at Oxford.**  
The Americans at Oxford have done much for their country and in a way they hardly thought of. The English had an idea that the Americans would come abroad with the idea that they would 'just clean things up.' "But the earnest, keen manner of the American to do their tasks, their readiness to be taught, to listen to the experience of those who have known three years of war, has reversed that opinion. As a result, the officers and men writing to their families and friends of our attitude, have spread the proper idea of the American spirit over the whole island.

"We are welcomed everywhere. The cool, distant British attitude has given way to a sympathetic feeling. And it's not because we are helping in the fight, but because the British are learning what we really are. American things are popular and in great demand, and the best guarantee that a novelty or some such thing in the shops may have to catch the public taste is to advertise it as American."

Oct. 27 Drey wrote of the large number of English casualties: "Britain has suffered heavily in the war. To a large extent the flower of her manhood has gone, and this is reflected in the type of cadet at the schools. But if England has lost men, what must the German casualties amount to? Appalling! Later letters convey the information that Drey was assigned to a machine-gun school for a course of instruction before receiving flying training. Drey is 21 years old.

**LOFTIS BROS. & CO.**—the store of "worth-while" gifts on credit. Diamond Rings and Le Vailles, \$15 up; Diamond Brooches, \$7 up; Diamond Cuff Links, \$4 up; Diamond Pearl Pins, \$2 up. Loftis Bros. & Co., 24 floor, 208 N. 6th st. Open evenings.

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**Swiss Advertiser His Neutrality.**  
BERNE, Dec. 12.—A Swiss patriot is providing some amusement by his original way of advertising his neutrality. The outer walls of his house are decorated with bas-reliefs of all the principal representatives of the nations at war. King George, the German Emperor, President Poincare, the Sultan, the Emperor of Austria and President Wilson are all to be seen in intimate neighborliness.

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## Garland's

The Letter below was sent direct to the Post-Dispatch, by the John Anisfield Co., for publication, with instructions to ask us to add to it any further notice we thought necessary. At this writing the garments have not arrived, but we have just received a wire from the express company that they may possibly be delayed two or three days. Just as soon as they arrive we will announce the date of sale, with all details.

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*Life Style*

CLOAKS  
AND  
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CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 12, 1917.

To the women of St. Louis and vicinity.

"During the past ten days or two weeks, we have received a great many letters from your city, asking us when Garland's annual Mid-Winter sale of our surplus stocks of coats and suits was to take place.

For the first two or three days we answered all these letters direct, stating that we did not know, to a certainty just when, but thought it would be sometime from the 10th to the 15th of December. We did this until the letters became so numerous (some days we received as many as forty or fifty) that we decided to answer them all at one time, through the columns of the St. Louis newspapers, as soon as we knew ABOUT when it would be.

We have just closed the sale with their buyer and the garments will be expressed from here tonight. If transportation conditions were normal they should reach St. Louis in time for Garland's to put the sale on Thursday. But the shipping conditions, due to the extreme weather and heavy snows, may delay it a day or two. We THINK it will be not later than Monday December 17th—possibly earlier.

Let us say here, that if we are confident, will offer the greatest buying inducements of the year. We know what the coats and suits are—we know their actual value, and at the price we sold them, and knowing Garland's way to "SELL AS THEY BUY" we are quite sure the values will be extraordinary.

Very respectfully yours,  
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**China Sends Protest to Japan.**  
PEKING, Dec. 12.—The Chinese government has protested to Japan against the Japanese establishment of civil administration in

Shantung territory outside of the Tientsin area. The postponement of a settlement of this question until after the war is being sought by the Japanese authorities.

## WHITTEMORE-GARDNER

### WEDDING TODAY

Ceremony at Home of Bride's Parents Will Be Without Attendants.

THE wedding of Miss Betty Whittemore and Lieut. Matthew Scott Gardner will take place at the home of the bride's parents this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, with the Rev. Dr. Russell of the West Presbyterian Church officiating. There will be no attendants and only the family and a few friends will be present.

The bride will wear a gown of white Soiree silk, trimmed with tulle and orange blossoms. She will carry a bouquet of lilies of the valley. Miss Whittemore is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Whittemore of 4224 Von Verden avenue. She made her debut three years ago and has taken an active part in social affairs. Lieut. Gardner is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gardner of Farmington, Mo., and was graduated from Westminster College and Columbia University. He recently received a commission in the United States Infantry at Fort Sheridan. The bridegroom's parents came from Farmington for the wedding.

Jewelry and clothing valued at \$175 were stolen yesterday from the home of J. D. Sneed, 1457 Arlington avenue; Mrs. Ella L. Walker, 3011 Laclede avenue; and George Hester, 319 South Ewing avenue.

## PAINT BOXES

Oil, Water Color and China Painting Outfits  
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## BOATMEN'S

BROADWAY AND OLIVE

## BRIDE OF LAST WEEK

### HOME AFTER TRIP



MRS. JOHN K. MAXWELL JR.

## Social Items

Mrs. J. Will Boyd of 4223 Berlin avenue, gave a luncheon today at the Women's Club in honor of her granddaughter, Miss Elizabeth Shapleigh Kennard, the debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Burton Kennard. Among those present were Misses Marian Francis, Caroline Tyler, Vesta Reed, Harriett Price, Gladys Kalme, Marian Bridge, Isabel Mauran, Mary Randolph Gordon, Anne Block, Georgia Ziebig, Juliette Rayburn, Jane Wright, Eleanor Knapp, Jane Bemis, Edith Skipwith, Lucile Benoit, Georgianna Anderson, Margaret Maxwell, Mary Lewis, Delancey Floyd-Jones, Olga Drexel Dahlgren of New York, Edith Cates, Eleanor and Nancy Chase, Betty Hodgman and Doris Drummond.

Mrs. Henry Boeckeler of 6440 E. Louwood avenue will depart tomorrow for a tea which she will give Friday afternoon for her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Boeckeler, and her classmates at Mary Institute.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy Maxwell Jr., whose marriage took place last week, have returned from a short motor trip and are with Mr. Maxwell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Maxwell of 6017 West Cabanne place. Mr. Maxwell leaves tonight for Toronto, Canada, where he is a member of the British royal flying corps, but expects to go to Fort Worth, Tex., next month, where his bride will join him. Mrs. Maxwell Jr. was Miss Amelia Holloway Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene D. Nims of 56 Portland place will depart tomorrow for Dallas, Tex., to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. Jean F. A. Lorber of New Orleans and Mrs. O. M. Orr of Buffalo, N. Y., arrived today to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Ittner of 5553 Hartner avenue.

Miss Charlotte Skeele, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Skeele of 1239 Amherst place, and Lieut. Howard W. Godwin will be married at 8 o'clock this evening at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. John Vimont of 1215 Amherst place. Only the members of the immediate family and a few friends will be present. There will be no attendants, and the bride will wear a traveling suit of gray cloth, trimmed in black, fur with a black and silver hat, and will wear a corsage of violets. Lieut. Godwin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. W. Godwin of 5084 Clemens avenue. He received his commission at Fort Sheridan. After the ceremony there will be a small reception. The couple will depart tonight for Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky., where the bridegroom will be stationed.

The Liederkreis Club has sent out notices of a formal dinner-dance at the clubhouse on Saturday evening.

The Y. M. C. A. war relief card party of the Riverview Club will take place tomorrow afternoon at the clubhouse. The games will be 500 and euchre, and a special entertainment and contests have been arranged for those who do not play cards. Play will begin at 2 o'clock and will be followed by a dinner dance in the evening, to which both members and nonmembers of the club are privileged to remain. Mrs. Henry Kiel has charge of the arrangements, assisted by the following ladies: Misses Hermann Spooner, Granville Hogan, Louis Nolte, O. T. Upshaw, I. T. Vierheller, A. S. Van Hoefen, August Kron, G. L. Slocumb, H. Brey, C. M. Talbot, A. W. Young, Val H. Fredericks, Ed L. Kuhs, C. P. Van Traafeland, Alfred M. Lane, Charles E. Lane, Harry O'Connell, William Frozmann, O. F. Heller, D. J. Halloran, Charles H. Hulse, Nelson Cunliff, H. L. Whitner, Fred Johnson and Miss Edna Kiel.

Miss Lida Houghtlin and Nelson E. Lorton were married Monday evening at the home of the bride, 1454 Union boulevard. The bride, who was unattended, was attired in a traveling suit of blue broadcloth with silver gray trimmings, and carried roses and orchids. Mrs. Lorton is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. David M. Houghtlin of Jerseyville, Ill. Mrs. Lorton who has resided in St. Louis for several years, also is from Illinois, and is a nephew of the late Supreme Judge Joseph Lorton. Mr. and Mrs. Lorton departed for San Francisco, where they will sail for Shanghai, China. Mr. Lorton having been appointed on the International Tariff Commission to China.

Fine 14k Gold Jewelry  
Marick-Ashie-Hutchinson Jewelry  
1000 Olive St. - 10th - ADV.

## HARRY B. HAWES IN ENGLAND

St. Louis friends have received cablegrams from Attorney Harry B. Hawes, telling of his safe arrival in Liverpool on his way to Switzerland, where he hopes to meet Mrs. Lily Busch, widow of Adolphus Busch, millionaire brewer, and bring her to the United States.

Mrs. Busch was in Germany when the war started and desires to return to St. Louis. Hawes obtained passports from the State Department which will enable her to come home if the German Government will permit her to do so.

## GERMAN RAILWAY IS BOMBED

British Aviators Attack Junction Point Northeast of Pirmasens. LONDON, Dec. 12.—Official announcement of an air raid into Germany is made as follows: "At 11 o'clock Tuesday morning our machines left their airdromes in fine weather to bomb certain factories in Germany. On reaching the area of their objectives the pilots found their targets obscured by clouds, but seeing a clear gap further northeast they continued the flight in that direction. Through a gap in the clouds they recognized a large railway junction northeast of Pirmasens (in the Bavarian Palatinate, 100 miles east of Verdun), and dropped their bombs upon it. The closing of the gap in the clouds prevented observation of results. Although the whole sky was covered by low clouds during the return journey, all our pilots succeeded in reaching their airdromes safely."

## TAPS!

His comrades' last tribute to the brave soldier whose final fight is over. Less spectacular, perhaps, but no less fitting are the funerals we conduct. Long experience has taught us tact and taste.

We arrange all details. We furnish all the carriages or limousines required; and the use of our Funeral Parlors if desired—a spacious suite of elegantly furnished rooms on the second floor, where you may rest and receive your friends, and a beautiful chapel on the first floor with separate compartment for mourners.

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Absolutely Removes Indigestion. Druggists refund money if it fails. 25c

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### or Just Talk It?

You realize the necessity for thrift, from a personal and patriotic viewpoint. You have thought about it, read about it, talked about it—but do you practice it?

If not, begin today. Lay out a thrift program and stick to it. Deposit a regular amount from each month's pay.

Your deposit in our Savings Department draws interest at 3%, and is protected by a twenty-three million dollar National Bank safety guarantee—the largest offered by any bank west of the Mississippi River.

And all deposits made on or before next Monday, the 17th, will draw interest from December 1st.

## The National Bank of Commerce

in St. Louis  
418 Olive Street

## Famous and Barr Co.

Entire Block: Olive, Locust, Sixth and Seventh  
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## Get That Overcoat

and Get It at  
**Famous-Barr Co.**

## TOMORROW

Don't wait until Christmas assortments are depleted—choose TOMORROW. Winter's cutting winds are now a stern reality—the man without a good, warm Overcoat is ill-prepared. You needn't spend much. See what excellent garments can be had here, tomorrow, at

**\$14.50---\$17.50---\$20**  
**\$25 and Up to... \$60**

When you step into this great Clothes Shop you will be met with the LARGEST, MOST COMPLETE clothes stocks in St. Louis and the entire West. Quality for quality, price for price, every thread and stitch of it will be worth intrinsically MORE than similar garments are selling for elsewhere.

## And That Christmas Overcoat Should Surely Come From This Store

Think how much more it will mean to the man who will wear it—to have the service guarantee of this great organization behind it—to KNOW that it is tailored to the top-notch of correctness, from the choicest products of the master looms, by America's very best tailors! It means COMPLETE SATISFACTION—and that is what a gift SHOULD mean.

ALL the models, fabrics and authentic fashion features are shown in limitless variety.

## Special Fur Collar Coats

Rich Oxforas and bluish meltons, with either Hudson seal or Nutria collar. All sizes 34 to 44; extremely special at

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Others Up to \$75.

## Special Dressy Coats

(With Astrakhan Collar.)

Ultra-fine black horse—lined with quilted satin—and topped by an Astrakhan collar. Double breasted, 30-in length; all sizes 34 to 40.

**\$26.50**

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## Why Your Christmas Victor Records Bought Here Will Prove the Best

Naturally you want your gift of Victor Records to be new, unused and perfect.

You cannot buy any other kind here. Victor Records for yourself or as gifts can be bought from Kieselhorst's in full confidence that they are absolutely new, unused and perfect, because we do NOT send Victor Records on approval.

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Any man or woman who has gone from store to store searching for particular Victor Records knows that shopping is a time-wasting, nerve-racking ordeal.

Save your time and nerves. Kieselhorst's Victor Record collection is complete. Any Victor Record called for can be obtained here.

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Joseph Millionaire Dies.  
JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 12.—John  
Joseph, founder of the Brittain

Dry Goods Co. of this city and many  
times a millionaire, died here last  
night. Brittain had been under the

care of a nurse for two years. A  
week ago he suffered a stroke of  
paralysis.

## PEOPLE MUST GET ALONG WITH LESS, VANDERLIP SAYS

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sole purpose is to accumulate in 25-cent pieces \$4. A card filled with 16 thrift stamps may be exchanged for a War Savings Stamp, and by paying 12 cents, or in later months 13 cents, 14 cents, or whatever the current price of the War Savings Stamp is.

"Now, we want co-operation on this work. We want to see these stamps on sale not only at every postoffice and every bank, but at least 100,000 other places in the country. The authorization by the Secretary of the Treasury to act as an agent ought almost to be a badge of loyalty in any store.

Problems of Future.  
"There are other problems of the future—the problems of reconstruction, the problems after the war. Such men as you should be thinking of those. There is much to do in the way of gathering information, of gaining knowledge as to what other countries want and are doing. We should not spend our brains on non-essentials. We should think carefully about that.

"But of all the things that are hurtful, the most hurtful that we can do is to spend our brains and ability in criticism of the Government—that is, uninformed criticism. Now the Government has such a problem as it never faced before, of expanding 10 times its activities in a year. What would be the state of your business if you expanded it 20 times in a year? There would be something to criticize. You wouldn't have the organization perfect. There would be much that you would want time to improve. So, there is much to criticize in what the Government is doing, much that might soundly be criticized, helpfully, sympathetically criticized. But there is much criticism that is utterly uninformed, criticism about things where the men making the criticism know nothing of the facts. That of all things we should avoid.

"Now, there is the lesson that it seems to me is the great fundamental lesson of the day. We can appropriate for aeroplanes and ships, but we can only build them if you and I permit them to be built. That is the only way. If you and I will forego other things that they may be built. But, you may say, 'what does that mean—what does that mean to business?' We are interested in the future of business. You must have good business as a background for floating these billions of loans. You want people to refrain from buying and stop great classes of business. You may say business men must live. But must they? A lot of men are going into this war that won't live. And it is a good deal more comfortable, I believe, if one even had to have a receiver than have an executor. But we are not going to have receivers.

Record Crops This Year.  
"In the first place, this campaign of economy is not going to be 100 per cent efficient. There never was a crop approaching in value the crop that was produced this year, \$11,000,000,000, against \$9,000,000,000 the year the war broke out, and \$14,000,000,000 last year. Now, farmers with all this added income, are not going to be universally economical. The experience of England was that there was not dullness, but great activity in luxuries. The best we can do will only be to hold down this activity in luxuries. No one needs to be alarmed that we are going to suddenly disorganize all business. If each and all of us will do our best with our own affairs and do our best to carry the lesson to others, we may open the workshops sufficiently for the Government to perform the tremendous duty that is ahead of it. We cannot possibly so cut down the production of luxuries, of unnecessary things, of non-essentials, that we will utterly disorganize business. So we do not need to be afraid of accepting this lesson, of acting on it ourselves, of getting others to act on it. The great work of the day is to win this war."

Vanderlip, referring to the railroad situation, said that one of two things is going to happen. "The railroads must be reorganized in the minds of the investor, they must have money, nearly \$1,000,000,000; or the Government must take them over. The difficulty amounts almost to an impossibility. If the railroads are to serve the people—and they must—there must be that amount provided each year for them. This is one of the problems of the day, but it is an immediate one.

"Now, there is not much of encouragement in today's news, incentive to do our best, incentive to wake up to our personal responsibility, and recognition of that personal responsibility is the lesson that I have to offer," he concluded.

Vanderlip departed at midnight for Milwaukee.

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—ADV.

New Portuguese Ministry.  
LISBON, Portugal, Tuesday, Dec. 11.—Dr. Sidonio Pass, leader of the revolution, has been made premier and foreign minister. Machado Santos, who led the uprising of a year ago, has been appointed minister of the interior. The other portfolios have been distributed as follows: Public Instruction, Alfredo Magalhães; Justice, Moura Pinto; Labor, Feliciano Costa; Marine, Aresta Branco; Commerce, Xavier Esteves; Finance, Santos Viegas; Colonies, Tamarizinho Barbosa.

\$500,000 Fire at Attleboro.  
ATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 12.—The fire which swept through the business center of this city early today caused damage estimated by the police at approximately \$500,000. Four buildings were destroyed.

Kansas Miners Re-elect President.  
PITTSBURG, Kan., Dec. 12.—Alexander Howat was re-elected president of the Kansas Miners District, No. 14, United Mine Workers of America, according to returns from 58 of the 127 locals. These gave Howat 2849 votes to 146 for his opponent, Alexander McAllister.

Robber's Pistol Falls, He Gets \$7.  
O'Neil Fisher of 4232 Lucky street, a delivery truck driver for Nissen's store, told the police that he was



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Franklin avenue and robbed of \$7. Fisher said the highwayman's revolver failed to fire, although he pulled the trigger twice.

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## FIGHTING IT OUT WITH DEATH

He went over the top—for you and for me—

He scrambled through the barbed wire—it clutched and tore at his clothing, but he went through—for you and for me—

The bullets whistled and whined over head, but he kept on—for you and for me—

The great shell burst just ahead of him and the earth opened as if to swallow him, but he staggered on—for you and for me—

A sniper picked him out—he was a fair target—he had rushed on in such headlong fashion—for you and for me—

When the bullet struck him he crumpled and fell helpless—alone—wounded—for you and for me—

Death hovered very near and he fought it out with death even as he fought the German foe—

Then the Red Cross nurse found him, and in the name of HUMANITY held a canteen of cold water to his lips—

And the stars above seemed to shine more brightly upon the scene, because of this act of humanity—and another mark went down in the great book of Life for the Red Cross nurse and for the people back of her at home who enabled her to stay on the battlefield—by reason of their support—

As she gave a cup of cold water in His name—

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## PICTURES OF AMERICAN PRISONERS IN GERMANY

Newspapers Print Photographs Showing Types of First U. S. Soldiers Captured.

By THOMAS MARVIN JOHNSON, A Special Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch and New York World. (Copyright, 1917.)

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 11.—German newspapers are publishing photographs of the first American prisoners of war, the infantrymen captured in a trench raid about a month ago. The photographs which the German War Office took are captioned, "Types of our first American prisoners." They show five Americans surrounded by a score or more German soldiers, including a few officers. The Americans are in their own uniforms, two still wearing helmets, the others bareheaded.

Evidently they were unwilling to be photographed, for a single man looks straight at the camera. The Germans, however, crowded forward so as to be sure to get into the picture. It can be said truthfully that the captured appear to greater advantage than the captors. Anyone but a German examining the picture would unhesitatingly say the Americans look like real soldiers, erect and manly, while the Germans are decidedly a weedy lot. A number of the under-sized ones, in particular, is almost extinguished by his coal scuttle trench helmet. The German officers are rather better than their men, excepting one, with exactly the same invisible chin and foxlike nose as the Crown Prince.

German newspapers also publish pictures of the parade of the New York National Guard, which are so manipulated as to show gaps between battalions, giving the impression of a handful of men. The caption informs the German people that the picture proves that the United States army is not so large as has been represented. Another picture of President Wilson leading a preparedness parade is entitled, "The Greatest of All the War Lords." It is shown in furtherance of the propaganda that the American President is the only obstacle to peace.

The Knights of Columbus have been recognized officially by Gen. Pershing and placed on equal footing with the Red Cross, Young Men's Christian Association and Salvation Army as authorized workers among the soldiers of the American expeditionary forces. The organization will start work here immediately, in the meantime perfecting a large organization in the United States. The Knights of Columbus will expend a fund of \$1,000,000.

Walter Kerman of New York, the head of the Overseas Work, is returning to the United States after a month spent on the ground. Kerman has left funds with the Catholic chaplains to start army huts in the training zone. He visited the greater part of the army, especially the national guard, which has many Catholics in its ranks. The organization will send hundreds of priests to France. Twenty-six of these will be accompanied by workers selected by the Knights of Columbus. Kerman also hopes to get prominent Catholic business men of New York to come to France to supervise the work of the organization.

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INDIAN, 127 YEARS OLD, STILL REFUSES TO SLEEP IN A BED

Ga-be-nah-gew-wonee of Cass Lake, Minn., Spends Two Weeks on Hospital Floor After Accident.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 12.—Just what an Indian will endure despite handicaps of age and infirmities was illustrated by a letter received by the Associated Press here from Fred A. King, Indian agent at Cass Lake, Minn. Mr. King had been asked to report on the condition of Ga-be-nah-gew-wonee, 127 years old, and he replied as follows:

"I am in receipt of yours relating to the aged Indian known as Ga-be-nah-gew-wonee, also known as John Smith by those who are unable to pronounce his Indian name.

"No events have transpired in his life during the last two years worthy of being added to the sketch written for the Associated Press, except perhaps the fact that shortly after the sketch was prepared he was run over by a switch engine in the Great Northern Railroad yards here. He was badly shaken and was picked up and taken to our local hospital for treatment. He refused to occupy a bed while in the hospital and, rolling himself up in a blanket, he laid on the floor during all the two weeks he was in the hospital.

"He has not married again, but is still hoping to meet an Indian maiden who is willing to become Mrs. Ga-be-nah-gew-wonee.

"He is residing at Cass Lake with his Indian son-in-law at present, is still active and frequently goes by train to Bemis to visit his Indian friends in that vicinity."

"ACTOIDS" ACT ACTIVELY. BEST FOR WINTER COLDS.—ADV.

Wants American Name for Bank. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 12.—Upon request of J. D. Goldman of St. Louis, president and stockholder of the German National Bank here, a proposal to change the name of the institution to the American National Bank will be submitted to stockholders Jan. 8.

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REGULATIONS AMER

Notified Registrants  
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the Governors of states that  
draft regulations have  
to allow registrants to  
in the aviation section of  
corps as candidates for



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## REGULATIONS AMENDED

Notified Registrants May  
in Aviation Section.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Proven-  
General Crowder has notified  
Governors of states that the  
regulations have been  
to allow registrants to en-  
the aviation section of the  
as candidates for com-

missions, and to provide that when  
registrants who have been in mili-  
tary or naval service are discharged,  
their discharges shall be reported to  
the local board, so that the men  
may be reclassified.

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Describes Experiences as Chap-  
lain of Hospital Unit  
in France.

## SAYS PLUCK IS INSPIRING

"English Know Power of Enemy,  
but Never Lose Idea Ger-  
many Will Be Defeated."

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Very  
Rev. Carroll M. Davis, dean of Christ  
Church Cathedral, St. Louis, told a  
Post-Dispatch reporter here yester-  
day of his experiences and observa-  
tions in France last summer and fall  
as chaplain of Base Hospital Unit  
31 of the American Red Cross, which  
was recruited and equipped in St.  
Louis, and which is now established  
near Rouen, on the River Seine.

Dean Davis will depart for St.  
Louis following a meeting of the Ex-  
ecutive Committee of the Board of  
Missions of the Protestant Episcopal  
Church. He has been succeeded by  
the Rev. George F. Taylor of St.  
Louis in his work as chaplain, and  
does not expect to return to France.

"As I look back over my six  
months' experience," Dean Davis  
said, "my outstanding impression is  
the unbounded confidence of the  
British 'Tommy,' that the war will  
be won by those who are fighting  
against Germany."

"It was our duty," he said, "to  
take care of the wounded 'Tommy,'  
that is, being a British hospital, we  
were concerned entirely with the  
British soldiers, including, of course,  
Canadians, Australians, Irishmen and  
Scotchmen, but the greater part of  
our patients were made up of En-  
glishmen. The pluck and cheerfulness  
of the wounded 'Tommy' is won-  
derful. It is almost no exaggeration  
to say that no matter how badly the  
British soldier is wounded, his  
wounds do not interfere with his in-  
terest in the cause for which the al-  
lies are fighting."

## Pluck of British Inspiring.

"These men have felt the power of  
the German war machine and have  
been its victims but their experiences  
make no difference in the belief that  
Germany is to be beaten and with  
all the suffering that some of them  
undergo there is general good spirits.  
It is really wonderful and inspiring.  
The reports that I have just read  
about Germany massing her troops  
for a great drive are particularly in-  
teresting to hospital workers because  
all of these drives have their imme-  
diate effect on the bases."

"There is a kind of dread that  
comes over one as he forces the  
direct results of these drives, be-  
cause it is then that the hospital  
bases catch a glimpse into carnage  
of the battlefield. When the at-  
tacks first begin we get the harvest  
of the worst survivors and then later  
as the onslaught subsides the train-  
loads of wounded grow less and  
those who are brought in have  
wounds of a minor character."

"This latest drive of the Germans,  
if carried out as forecast, will put the  
British to a great test, but there is  
not much doubt in the minds of those  
who have cared for wounded British  
soldiers that they will withstand any  
and every effort of the Germans.  
Everywhere among the British sol-  
diers one talks with in France there  
is the feeling that this last year's  
fighting is going to be more and more  
to the advantage of the British."

## Rouen a British Base.

"I am confining my observations  
to the British only because it is with  
them that I have been in contact.  
I know little or nothing as the direct  
result of contact with the wounded  
Frenchman."

"Rouen is, owing to its geograph-  
ical situation, a distinctly British  
hospital base. Hospital ships are  
able to come up the Seine right to  
the wharves in Rouen, making it  
easy to send those who are well  
enough directly to England. Others  
can go by boat to Havre. We sent  
on an average 300 to 400 a day to  
Havre."

"All the wounded who go to our  
hospital are taken by train from the  
casualty clearing station. In mili-  
tary hospital parlance these are  
called C C S's. The British have  
worked out a wonderful system for  
caring for the wounded, a rough out-  
line of which may be of interest to  
all of us who are working for the  
Red Cross."

"Immediately in the rear of British  
ranks are the regimental stations.  
It is to these that the wound-  
ed are first brought by litter bearers  
and given first aid from the regi-  
mental station. The patient then is  
taken by motor or in the light special  
ambulance railways that have been  
built to the field ambulance, where  
operations are performed that are re-  
quired immediately, and other surgi-  
cal and medical care is given pending  
another removal to the casualty  
clearing stations, which are a consid-  
erable distance from the field hos-  
pitals, to which the wounded and  
sick are removed in railway trains."

## Must Risk Life Willingly.

"The base hospitals are still farther  
away and are always far away  
from the fighting zone. Our hos-  
pital at Rouen is 775 from the  
firing line patients from the base  
hospitals go either back to the firing  
line to convalescent camps or  
straight home."

"The base hospital gets every kind  
of wounded. There are those who  
are injured so horribly that the very  
thought of it is sickening, and these

on the other hand, there are large  
numbers of cases where the wounds  
are comparatively slight, but had  
enough to require careful treatment.

This war, because of its magni-  
tude, brings out more than any  
other war of modern times the hor-  
rors of war, but great as are the  
evils of war, and those who serve in  
an ambulance corps have every op-  
portunity to see the horrible side, I  
do not feel that warfare need be pic-  
tured in such a manner that men  
who go into the service feel that  
they are absolutely sacrificing them-  
selves or that there is no chance to  
escape.

"I do believe that no matter how  
horrible war may be, we ought to  
be willing to take the chance of sac-  
rificing our lives. There are many

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many, a very great many, more in-  
stances where the injuries are en-  
tirely outside of the horrible class.

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were pursued the COUNTRY WOULD BE PLACED  
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see

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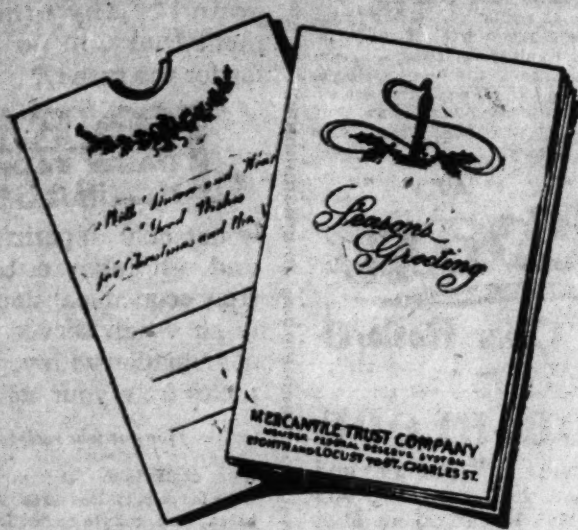
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## GERMAN SOLDIERS' ATTITUDE CHANGING DIARIES REVEAL

Two Guards for Every Newly Drafted Man Who Departs for Front, One Who Stays.

### MUTINY IS REPORTED

Another Declares One Company Refused to Obey Orders Till Threatened With Death.

By Associated Press.  
BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Nov. 16 (Mail).—Illustrations of the changing attitude of many German soldiers towards the war are contained in captured diaries. Describing the departure of draft men from a depot town, the author of one diary writes:

"First battalion is to supply draft of 99 men. To conduct them to station 300 men are detailed, some with rifles to escort draft, others to act as pickets."

In the afternoon our men are ready and waiting for their comrades of the first convalescent company, who at last arrive. But what a sight it is! In front marches a squad of guards with rifles and another squad in the rear to guard German soldiers, our brave lads in field gray who are the newspapers' heroes.

They are joyfully going forth to destroy our enemies, inspired by love of the fatherland. The draft is ready. The band strikes up a march and the column begins to move. Guards are so numerous that there is one for every two men. Is it not a scandal that our boys in field gray are led out into the field to fight and give their lives for the fatherland like criminals to the hangman, or worse, like cattle to the slaughter. It is not enough that hours before men are not forming part of the draft should be prevented from going into town by pickets every five yards in every direction.

"No, we must also endure the shame of being escorted to the station by guards. Do not the beautiful living stories of our German people place our brave lads in field gray who for love of the fatherland fight and destroy the enemy in an entirely false light when such things as this happen? Free sacrifice! Indeed."

Another diary related how the men of the company refused to obey the orders of their Lieutenant and only did so when the Captain declared he would have one man in every four shot unless the orders were obeyed. An interesting tribute to the high morale of the Belgians in occupied territory is contained in another diary.

The author on Sept. 6 wrote: "Yesterday we had a long discussion with people on whom we are billeted—Belgian refugees. The old mother and the eldest daughter of 22 had a long debate with Franz and myself about war and peace. It is strange that these people whose hearts and home the British have shelled to ruin, who have been evacuated by the German military authorities because their lives were in danger, and who have had a house allotted to them here, are wishing and hoping that the British will liberate the Belgians and be able to drive us Germans out. When we explained to the girl that we held our lines here for three years while the British had definitely hoped to break through our front in 1917 and had only run against a brick wall and declared that the British would not break through, she said, shrugging her shoulders: '1917 is not over yet—another four months remain.'"

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Former Residents of This State Writes Post-Dispatch for Names of Men.

Missourians whose sons and brothers in the army are quartered at Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C., are asked to furnish the names of such relatives to the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce. The executive secretary of that organization, Edward N. Farris, a former Missourian, has written the Post-Dispatch that he and other native Missourians in that city want to show the greatest hospitality to the Missouri soldier boys. There are now about 22,000 men in the camp, Farris writes, and recruits from Jefferson Barracks arrive there from time to time. Farris suggests that other Missouri newspapers give publicity to his request.

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# Cubist and Futurist Art Figure in Camouflage as Practiced by Navy

## "Wild" Color Schemes Used to Disguise War Craft, Despite Veteran Commanders' Stand Old Battleship Gray Is Adequate Means of Hiding Position.

Through permission of the Navy Department, a staff correspondent of the Post-Dispatch spent several days at the large Norfolk Navy Yard, where the naval activities of the country are centered, and where many millions of dollars are being expended by the Government.

Much has been printed throughout the country concerning the activities of the navy, and the various experiments which are being conducted in the use of camouflage. It is the first publication of what is really going on in the navy.

By J. M. DAIGER.  
A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 12.—"And what is that old tub lying over there, Captain?"

"That happens to be a brand-new torpedo-bomb destroyer that has just arrived to be manned and put into immediate service."

I had been deceived by the naval camouflage—the painting of ships to look as though they were not ships. They are not and at a long distance look like nothing at all.

Wonderful work has been done in disguising and concealing ships at sea. Those most people seem to think that camouflage is used only by the army. Impossible as it might seem to make super-dreadnaughts appear anything but the monsters that they are, there are nevertheless processes of camouflage for them and the processes for smaller vessels are numerous.

## NUMBER OF MEN IN TENTS AT CAMP DONIPHAN TO BE REDUCED

Order Issued by Surgeon-General Gorgas, Inspection Who Forces Conditions at Post.

CAMP DONIPHAN, Ok., Dec. 12.—Following two days' inspection of Camp Doniphán by Major-General William C. Gorgas, Surgeon-General of the army, the number of men living in each tent will be reduced from nine to five, and a detention camp for "contacts" will be established immediately. The order will necessitate the removal of 10,000 men from the camp.

There are 1075 non-effectives in camp, 745 of whom are in the base hospital. Only 34 are in infirmaries, and 256 in their quarters with colds and other ailments. In a room with 41 cases of measles in the hospital, 56 cases of pneumonia, 26 cases of diphtheria, 9 of scarlet fever, and 4 of meningitis. This is far below the normal average of 100 cases in a room of the size of Camp Doniphán, army officers say.

The infection at Camp Doniphán is much less than it is at a majority of the other army camps throughout the United States. The average health of the men here is better than most of the camps, Major-General Gorgas said.

## PRIVATE GERMAN CLASSES IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS FORBIDDEN

Board Revokes Permission to Society and Approves Sale of \$500,000 Bonds at 90.55.

The Board of Education last night revoked the permission granted the German School Society to use the school buildings on Saturdays for private classes in the German language. The German School Society had been using the buildings for its classes several years.

The board approved the sale of \$500,000 bonds for \$452,650, which is 90.55 per cent of par. The money had been taken from the general fund to pay for improvements to the school buildings. The remaining \$15,000 of the authorized issue will not be sold at the present low market.

## NEW SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' CLUB TO OPEN SATURDAY

Furnishings, Musical Instruments, Stationery and Flowers Have Been Donated by Business Houses.

The new Soldiers' and Sailors' Club, in the Post-Dispatch Building, will be formally opened next Saturday if the rooms are well enough equipped by that time. The club is to be open for the recreation and entertainment of the men in the service, and it is expected that it will be a success.

At the request of Mrs. J. Harrison Steedman, chairman of the Women's Committee, Col. C. H. Murray, commander of the Post-Dispatch Building, has appointed Capt. P. R. Cook and Capt. A. G. Strong to serve as members of the Advisory Committee of men. The civilian members are Joseph Pulitzer Jr., Harry Brewster, J. Dwight Davis and Frank E. Hyde.

## ALASKAN COAL LANDS OPENED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The opening of a new coal mining tract in the Matanuska field, Alaska, is announced by Secretary Lane. A branch of the Government railroad has been pushed to a point near by and the Government is ready to receive applications for its lease for operation.

Continuance of these operations, the department believes, will demonstrate the possibility of supplying fuel from this field for the navy and for the Pacific coast. By next summer the railroad will be ready to

## DEATHS

**ACHTERMAN**—Suddenly, on Sunday, Dec. 9, 1917, at 11:30 p. m., Joseph C. Achterman, beloved husband of Rose McGough Achterman and dear father of Harold G. and Geraldine Achterman, and dear brother of Mother M. Achterman of the Sacred Heart Church.

Funeral will take place on Thursday, Dec. 13, at 10 a. m., from residence, 312 West Pine boulevard, to St. Francis Xavier's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery.

**CARTER**—Entered into rest Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1917, at 12 noon, Elizabeth Carter (nee Kelly), beloved wife of Thomas Carter, dear mother of Mrs. G. W. Carter, Mrs. E. D. Moore (nee Carter), David J. and Mary Carter, grandmother, at the age of 80 years.

Funeral Friday, Dec. 14, at 9:30 a. m., from residence, 4114 Fair avenue, to Holy Rosary Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery.

**DUNPHY**—On Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1917, at 10:30 a. m., Mary Dunphy (nee Dunphy), beloved wife of Michael Dunphy, and dear mother of Michael and Mrs. Edward Dunphy.

Funeral from family residence, 2924 Papin street, notice of time later.

**EBENHART**—On Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1917, at 10:30 a. m., Henry Ebenhart (nee Ebenhart), beloved wife of John Ebenhart, and dear mother of Mrs. Ebenhart, and dear mother of Mrs. Ebenhart, and dear mother of Mrs. Ebenhart.

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## ANSWERS TO QUERIES

As we have no information bureau, it is impossible to answer queries by mail or telephone.

**FIGHTING A COLD.**  
One catches a cold, says Good Health, because for some reason the skin lacks resistance. Apply a cold cream to a person's head for several hours, and he will begin to complain that his forehead is not as painful, he will have neuralgic pains in his forehead; the skin and the flesh become sore. This pain is called "rheumatism," for lack of a better term. It is simply a painful, sensitive condition due to the lowering of the blood temperature, which permits waste matters to accumulate in the tissues, causing the nerves to become abnormally sensitive. Thus in a general way we may say that the cause for taking an ordinary cold is the lowering of the temperature of the blood, and the result is a cold.

If a person has been perspiring from exercise and sits down and lets the wind blow on him he soon begins to feel chilly. His muscles were exercising, his muscles were generating heat. For a muscle generates heat, just as a dynamo generates electricity. By its action, heat is generated, just as by the action of a dynamo, electricity is generated. In fact, in a very similar way, in the way a stove generates heat, but in the way a stove generates heat, a person generates heat. If a person perspires when exercising, it is because he generates more heat than is needed to keep the body warm, so it is necessary that the body should be cooled, and perspiration is simply the effort of the body to cool itself off. Bathing the skin with water and allowing the water to evaporate also have the effect of cooling the skin. Now, when the perspiring individual ceases to exercise and sits down, the effect is that of putting out a fire or blowing out a light. The extra generation of heat ceases, so the evaporation ceases, and the cooling effect of the body is lost. The body is now in a state of heat, and the heat is retained. The heat is retained, and the heat is retained. The heat is retained, and the heat is retained.

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**WATSON**—On Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1917, at 10:30 a. m., John Watson (nee Watson), beloved husband of Mary Watson, and dear father of John Watson, and dear father of John Watson.

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## GERMAN AVIATION STRENGTH

PLACED AT 2500 MACHINES

Force Divided Into More Than 30 Squadrons; Only 1200 of 400 Zeppelins in Commission.

WITTE THE PRINCE. ARMIER, Dec. 12.—By efforts made in the last year, Gen. von Hopper has brought the strength of the German aviation service up to rather more than 300 squadrons, representing a total of about 2500 machines. The service is divided as follows: Bombardment squadrons, 23; fighters, 40; protection, 20; patrol, 10; artillery, 100. Total, 273.

## GERMAN LOSS GREAT IN

CHEMICAL WORKS EXPLOSION

Griesheim Factory, Which Blow Up Nov. 23, Was Source of Many Things Used in Munition Making.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Despite attempts to hide facts concerning the explosion in the large chemical factory of Griesheim, near Frankfurt, Nov. 23, it is now certain the explosion destroyed the greatest munition factory in the world and Germany has suffered a disaster comparable to a serious military defeat, according to an announcement by the Press Bureau yesterday.

## PROFITS OF PLAYS POOLED

Salt Revenue Agreement Between Shubert and Klaw & Erlanger.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Following agreements in various cities between Klaw & Erlanger and the Shubert, theatrical managers were disclosed in court here yesterday in a suit to control a certain production to be shown here last month.

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☐ The best way to find out about these values is to come and see them for yourself. Don't take anyone's word, even though it will invariably be complimentary, but SEE FOR YOURSELF. Compare them with others you have seen.

☐ The first lot of these wonderful values went out a-flying—we expect the same of this lot tomorrow. Fortunate for Xmas givers!

Velour Broadcloth  
Cashmere Velour  
Yosemite Cloth  
Wool Velour

Skillfully tailored or trimmed with SKUNK, OPOSSUM, PLUSH, NATURAL RACCOON, FUR FABRICS.

In Taupe, Beetroot, Brown, Green, Burgundy, Beige, Oxford, Rein-deer, Pekin Blue, Navy, Gray and Black.  
Women's and Misses' sizes.

Third Floor

## Undecided? Send

F. B. Co. Gift

Certificates

☐ They're SURE to please—because they leave the choice of the present entirely in the hands of the recipient. Just step to one of the exchange desks, fill out your certificate and your trouble's over.

Gift Coupons

—issued in books of 10, 25 and 50 ten-cent coupons are another splendid alternative, permitting the recipient to spend the coupons when and how desired.

## PLEASE

—shop in the morning hours, if you possibly can—when the store is less crowded and the service is at its best. Just try the scheme tomorrow—and see if it doesn't make your shopping a lot more pleasant.

## PLEASE

—carry SMALL parcels with you—thereby helping to lighten the burden on the hard-pressed delivery men—AND insuring the prompt delivery of your LARGER packages. Won't you please cooperate with us? Thank you.



## We CAN Deliver Victrolas!

☐ YOUR Victrola, waiting and ready to be sent out the moment you give the word!

☐ Regardless of what you have heard about the shortage, Famous-Barr Co., the only large St. Louis store selling Victrolas EXCLUSIVELY, is in position to deliver AT ONCE ANY model you desire.

☐ THE VICTROLA—and no other. The VICTROLA, because it is a KNOWN quantity, perfected through years of effort and representing today

the highest achievement in tone production, service and intrinsic VALUE. Why buy an unknown when the Victrola is to be had?

☐ Furthermore, when your Victrola comes from this store, you can be certain that it will be a new, unused instrument; we do not send Victrolas on approval.

☐ But note that we do not assume to speak for NEXT week, or the week after; and those who would be on the safe side will order AT ONCE!

### Here Are the Most Popular Models and Their Prices:

Victrola Style XIA—\$110

\$10 Cash—\$6 Monthly.

Victrola Style X—\$75

\$7.50 Cash—\$5 Monthly.

Victrola Style XIV—\$165

\$10 Cash—\$5 Monthly.

Victrola Style XVII—\$265

\$25 Cash—\$10 Monthly.

Others as low as \$15.00.

### Victrola Christmas Records

45145 Silent Night. \$1.00  
44436 Oh, Come All Ye Faithful, by John McCormack. \$1.50  
35879 Hymns of Praise No. 1. \$1.25  
44436 Hymns of Praise No. 2. \$1.25

35061 It Came Upon a Midnight Clear. \$1.25  
74157 Star of Bethlehem, by Evan Williams. \$1.50  
17164 Hark! the Herald Angels Sing. 75c  
88138 Silent Night, Holy Night, by Schumann-Heink. \$3.00  
17889 Merry Christmas, Around the Christmas Tree. 75c  
35415 The Night Before Christmas, The Gingerbread Boy. 75c

—which, when bought at this store, come to you SEALED, unused and perfect. Our demonstrating records are never sold to a customer.

### In the Christmas Book Store—Thursday!

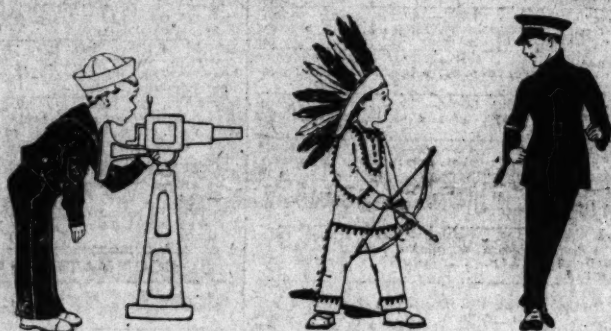
## 600 Wanted Titles

Offered at the Low Price of... 49c



☐ Obviously, it's impossible to chronicle the whole lot for you here—but you'll find each and every one as interesting, as giveable as the ones we've mentioned below. ☐ This is a good sale to be early at.

Ann of Arden—L. M. Montgomery.  
Anniversary of Clothesline Alley—E. K. Manister.  
Desert Gold—Jane Grey.  
Freddie—Gene Stratton-Porter.  
Girl of the Lumberport—Gene Stratton-Porter.  
The Harvester—Gene Stratton-Porter.  
Empty Pockets—Rupert Hughes.  
Gray Dawn—Edw. Stewart White.  
Lavender and Old Lace—Myrtle Reed.  
The Lone Star Ranger—Zane Grey.  
Miss Billy's Decision—E. H. Porter.  
Mary Carey—K. L. Boshart.



## XMAS PLAY SUITS!

☐ Who of us does not recall how we liked to "play show" as a youngster—to IMPERSONATE the characters we loved and admired! And that is the spirit which always young America today—nine boys out of ten are wishing for a "soldier suit."

### Splendid Suits at Very Low Prices

Boys' Military Suits.....\$1.95 to \$2.95  
Boys' Cowboy Suits.....\$1.95 to \$3.45  
Boys' Indian Suits.....\$1.25 to \$1.95  
Boys' Marine Suits (special).....\$3.25  
Boys' American Sammie Suits.....\$3.75

Second Floor

## Oh, That Mysterious Cave That Leads to Toyland!



☐ Spooky! Well, if any little girl or boy isn't very, VERY good, it's best not to go down into it at all. ☐ O, but when you DO get to Toyland, what fun! It's like a great big, rippety-bang circus, with everything going full blast, and everybody welcome.

☐ Come tomorrow, when the fun's at its height—in the MORN-ING, if possible, for these "specials"—

50c Horns and Carts; large size, 30c.  
\$1.95 Teddy Bears; 24-inch size, \$1.48.  
75c Junior Architect Building Blocks; while they last, 44c.  
60c Tea Sets; 14 pieces, 47c.  
\$1.00 Tool Chests, with complete set of tools, 75c.  
\$1.95 Planes, the new musical menagerie, \$1.39.  
\$1.00 Animals; large size; many kinds, 59c.  
60c Iron Dump Carts and Water Towers 48c.  
\$1.95 Saddle Horses; imported, while they last, \$1.39.

\$2.50 Steam Engines, \$1.95.  
50c Tintographs; assorted kinds of stenciling, 39c.  
\$2.00 Erector Sets, steel construction toy, \$1.48.  
\$5.00 Erector Sets; large size, \$3.59.  
\$7.45 Automobiles; large size, rubber tires, \$6.34.  
\$1.00 Doll Beds, full trimmed, 75c.  
\$3.95 Hand Cars, Fast Mail, with rubber tires, \$3.19.  
\$1.75 Skip Cars, with rubber tires, \$1.44.  
\$1.50 Chairs, \$1.28.  
\$1.00 Happy Pat Character Dolls, 60c.  
95c Dressed Kewpie Dolls, 65c.

Toyland, Basement

## Unusual Gifts

—each out of the ordinary, each supremely PRACTICAL, each inexpensive.

**Leather Hides**  
—of sheep and kid, from 5 to 7 sq. feet, tanned in various colors, to drape over library tables, for pillow covers, and for fireplace hangings. \$3.99, \$2.50, \$3.99.

**Cedar Chests, \$5.85**  
—genuine Tennessee Red Cedar, size 34x16x14—protruding dustproof lid, lock and key and castors.

**Lace Curtains, \$1.50**  
—Nottingham, Scotch weave and Flit effect lace curtains, selected for their giveability. Fourth Floor

## \$6 Gillette Razors

Thursday \$4.98 Special... \$4.98

☐ Worth coming early for—the latest pocket edition of the King C. Gillette Razor, in a beautiful gold-plated gift case, with 12 blades. Only 50 sets.

Pocket Knives, 26c, 2 and 3 blades, of high-grade steel, with pearl and size handles. \$2.75 Smoking Stands, 25 inches high, brush brass, weighted bottom, \$2.15.  
75c Ash Receivers, glass cigar rest, and match holder, mahogany finish, 51c.  
\$1.95 Aluminum Percolators, 3-cup size, with glass top, \$1.45.  
\$3.95 3-Piece Carving Sets, horn handle, steel quality steel, \$3.95.  
75c Nut Sets, nickel-plated, 7 pieces, in wood-lined box, hinge cover, 59c.  
\$2.50 Casseroles, nickel-plated frame, fireproof insert, \$1.94. Basement Gallery

## Save \$1.00—Save \$2.00 in a SILK SHIRT SALE at \$4.95



☐ It seems like Santa's own present—a sale of this kind now, with the better Silk Shirts so much wanted and so scarce. Surely you won't need to be URGED to be early. Main Floor, Aisle 9

## Skating's Fine

☐ And Christmas is near, when a new pair of skating steels is most appreciated.

Man's Screw-Clamp Skates, hockey type, with cast nickel runners; sizes 10 to 11½; pair, \$1.45.

Women's Hockey Skates, screw-clamp type, with leather heel strap, nickel runners; sizes 8½ to 10½; pair, \$2.45.

Children's Adjustable Skates; double runners, pair, 39c. Second Floor



## Stirring Response Will Be Your Answer to This Cameo Brooch Sale!

☐ Just 135 pieces of the most delicately carved Italian Cameo pink shell and carnelian Brooches, each set in SOLID GOLD, and each a different setting. All sizes from the tiniest to the large 50-millimeter size—all with patent safety catches.

Half price and less than half, at

\$2.98 \$3.98 \$4.98 \$5.98 \$7.98 \$9.98

Main Floor, Aisle 5

## Mother Will Like a Dress Length

—which gives tomorrow's offerings all the more importance to foresighted shopping folks.

**Wonderful Broadcloth, \$2.50 a Yard**  
Light weight, yet of supremely fine "body," and decidedly under today's market price at \$2.50 a yard; 50 inches wide.  
**\$1.35 Novelty Suitings, \$1.00 Yd.**  
Some 54 inches wide; mixtures and plain colors; a big selection on display, very special.  
**\$2.50 Fancy Silks, Yd., \$1.50**  
Supple, dull finish stripes and large dots in rich colors for handkerchiefs, linings or kimono; 40 inches.

**\$1.98 Striped Taffeta, Yard, \$1.69**  
Self color and fancy stripe Taffeta, 36 inches wide—for waists and dresses.  
**\$1.50 Black Taffeta, Yard, \$1.36**  
A splendid quality for dress wear; 36 inches wide.  
**\$2.00 Charmeuse, \$1.50**  
40 inches wide, in navy, midnight, myrtle and purple.  
**54-Inch French Serge, \$2.25 Yard**  
Black and a few colors; a fine twilled all-wool French Serge, worth today \$3.00 yard. Main Floor, Aisle 1

## Famous and Barr Co.

Entire Block: Olive, Locust, Sixth and Seventh  
We Give Eagle stamps and redeem Full Books for \$2.00 in Cash or \$2.50 in Merchandise—New Restricted Articles Excepted. Largest Distributors of Merchandise at Retail in Missouri or the West.

Editorial Page  
News Photo  
Women  
WEDNESDAY, DEC

Miss Eleanor  
States Letter  
mail

A recent photo  
crowned by





Miss Eleanor Sweet, one of the two United States letter carriers in St. Louis, delivering mail in the Chemical Building.



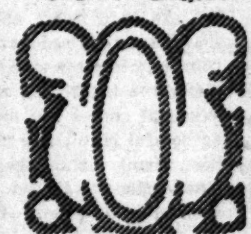
First picture to arrive in this country of American troops in the fighting trenches. They are watching the movements of an enemy aircraft above them. © U.S.U.



A narrow escape for the driver of an Italian transport truck on an Alpine peak. © PRESS



Gen. Pershing making a tour of inspection of the French lines at Chemin des Dames, where he was a witness of the French offensive.



More than 50 years in Uncle Sam's service. Miss Annie P. Roe, who supervises the numbering of bank notes, the final step before they become legal tender.



A recent photograph of the heart of Jerusalem, which has just been occupied by the British forces. In the background, crowned by the tower, is the Mount of Olives; back of the mosque in the center, is the Garden of Gethsemane. © U.S.U.



The new drive for Red Cross members—Miss Elizabeth Farrell and Miss Marguerite Lyons (at right) in booth at Railway Exchange Building.



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JOSEPH PULTIZER.  
April 10, 1907.

#### LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

**The Cold, Smoky Street Cars.**  
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

We have a city ordinance which says: "All cars shall be kept comfortably heated whenever the temperature without is below 40 degrees Fahrenheit."

Laws which do not conform to fact should be changed. This one has become a very dead letter. Why not revise it to fit the rules of the United Railways, as follows:

"No car need be comfortably heated and the temperature outside is ignored. Cars may be partly warmed with diminutive stoves that burn soft coal, though devised to burn coke or anthracite. The heat thus made may be conducted along only one side of the car, at such times as the stove draws. At other times, namely, most of the time, the car may be filled with smoke. Smoke prevention laws, as regards street cars, are hereby brogated."

We couldn't find fault with such a law on the ground that it was not kept. This would give us time to growl over something else.

PASSENGER.

**Suggested Editorial Revision.**

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Your attention to your editorial under the title "The De Saules Farce," in your Dec. 4 issue. Why a "farce," dear editor? Apparently you have only read the statements of the prosecution and have not taken pains to get to the truth. You seem to forget that the child-wife's testimony of her life since the marriage to De Saules, at 16, brought tears to the eyes of the Judge and Jurors. Perhaps the Jury did not take the mother's love for her son as lightly as you do. Do not forget, Mr. Editor, that the "female" is the dearest of the species and much more so, when her child is at stake.

Your last paragraph should read as follows: "The woman is set at liberty and notice is thereby served on every other man in the United States that he cannot use his wife's money to entertain 'his Broadway friends' or commit every unmanly act possible and at last take from her her child."

**Unpatriotic Employers.**

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I have been surprised and pained to learn of what I consider a deplorable lack of patriotism on the part of some employers in this city. A certain young man in my neighborhood who has been out of work for some time states that at several places where he applied he was asked whether he was subject to be drafted, and upon answering in the affirmative was turned down, on the ground that it was desirable to have men whose services would be continuous and uninterrupted. It strikes me that every employer ought to be willing to be put to some inconvenience for his country's sake and the sake of our noble boys who, without a murmur, are laying their lives—their all—on the altar of their country. Because they are about to make the supreme sacrifice, shall they be denied an opportunity to earn an honest living while waiting to be called?

I hope the proper authorities will look into this matter, announce to whom such cases may be reported, and let the offenders know that in times like these there is something besides their own selfish interests to be considered.

J. E. R.

**A City Partnership Suggestion.**

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

There is and will be a difference of opinion as to the United Railways' \$60,000,000 valuation. Under the present plan, the citizens are not receiving proper service, and the investors are not resting securely. If the city contemplates in the future to purchase the company's holdings, why not enter into some plan whereby it can be accomplished without disturbing conditions? The investors at all times will be secure; permanent security will justify expenditure at any time. I would suggest for the company to take in the city as an investor by giving the city \$10,000,000 worth of security of the \$60,000,000 capitalization or valuation, the city in return to guarantee 5 per cent on the total investment and to allow a 2 per cent dividend, after all fixed charges and actual expenses for upkeep being allowed, all net monies to be applied to the betterment of service; the city to extend franchises as it sees fit; the city reserving the right to purchase the company's holdings at par value. The city could create its own sinking fund towards the ultimate purchase.

JOSEPH T. MURPHY.

#### SPEED, NOT DELAY.

We agree with Senator Reed that provision should be made for the military training of all American men beginning at the age of 18. How soon we could begin this universal training system in view of the necessity of rushing the training of drafted men for active service in the field is a question of expediency. We have about 5,000,000 men available for this purpose under the draft and every year about 600,000 men are added to those of the present draft age for whose registration legal provision should be made.

We do not agree that young men under 21 should be called to the colors for active service. If we utilize all the men of draft age we will not need to call the boys into service. They should be permitted to complete their education and training for life work in conjunction with training for military service. It will be time to talk of calling immature youths to the colors when the supply of men is exhausted. Our first task is to get registered men ready for active service at the earliest possible moment.

We agree with Senator Reed that "it is time the war should be the supreme and the only thought in the mind of Congress."

When the Senator talks of delay in war preparations let him bear in mind that Congress is not guilty in delaying to give the President and his aids the powers necessary to carry on successfully the gigantic job of preparing for and conducting the war. He himself is not guilty.

Senator Reed is right in urging speed on the part of all governmental agencies but he is wrong in trying to prove by speech, correspondence and investigation that he was right in bitterly opposing the legislation for food and fuel control. He intimates that food and fuel control is a failure. He quotes the President as testifying to its failure; whereas, the President did nothing more than say that the food control law did not go far enough and that Congress should authorize an extension of control to enable the Government to set limits to prices of all articles now the subject of profiteering.

The real test of food control so far as we have it is to compare what it has accomplished with what could have happened without any control of food or fuel.

Certainly the cause of fuel shortage, food shortage and transportation shortage should be investigated and vigorously handled, not with the intent of turning loose the speculators and profiteers, but of subjecting them to rigid control and, if necessary, severe punishment.

The whole duty of Congress is to co-operate with the executive for speed, efficiency and to drop selfish criticism, obstruction and ceaseless debate.

It will no doubt be a matter of surprise in Germany that a historic town may be captured without the destruction of priceless points of interest contained therein.

#### WAR AND THE SILVER ISSUE.

Perhaps no other influence of the war in non-military affairs is as curious as its revival of the issue of bimetalism.

The outline of the world's monetary situation is a revival in even its words and phrases of typical silver discussions in the campaign of 1896. The original suggestion of the restoration of silver as a money metal is attributed to Mr. Balfour at the time he headed the British mission to this country. He did not think the return to the old status could be brought about while the war was in progress, but urged the forwarding of the plan that it might be available for the needs of peace. Serious consideration of the proposal is already being given, it is said, by Secretary McAdoo, members of Congress and leading bankers.

Gold supplies are being strained to the limit we are told. Basic money in greater amounts—how familiar those words "basic money" are—has become a necessity to sustain the vast expansion in paper currency and credits due to the war. The double standard—two more familiar words—is required to relieve financial stress throughout the world and maintain the equilibrium of international finance, which would mean the coinage of silver at an established ratio probably greater than the ratio between silver and gold established by existing values.

Nothing in the election verdict of 1896 was of course averse to silver coinage by international agreement. In fact hopes of such an agreement had a decided influence on the verdict rendered. The issue in the political struggle was the continued use of a debased currency having a coinage or legal exchange value much greater than its intrinsic value and the wisdom of the United States in trying to maintain alone fiat coinage values in the face of the business custom, law and market quotations of nearly all the rest of the commercial world.

Jerusalem, Bagdad and Mecca—the three holy cities of Moslem are all in the hands of the allies. This is the entente's answer to the holy war that Germany sought to foment in the Mohammedan possessions of Great Britain and France.

#### GO AFTER ALL THE TAX-DODGERS.

The suggestion of John H. Gundlach, supervisor of assessments in St. Louis for the State Tax Commission, that steps be taken to collect the back taxes dodged by the Union Electric Co. on a part of its Ashley street property, has an importance beyond the \$60,000 or \$70,000 estimated to be involved in this case. A precedent might be set for the recovery of large sums in back taxes evaded by large concerns.

After the company acquired holdings on Ashley street, the Government extended the harbor lines, which added more than 20,000 square feet to the area of the property, making a total of about 129,573 feet. This accretion was never placed on the assessment books and the company for 13 years has been taxed only on the original area. In an application to the Public Service Commission to sanction a huge issue of preferred stock, the company gave the correct area with an estimate of its value at \$20 a square foot, or about \$2,591,560 in all. It is assessed at only \$154,400. Glaring instances of tax-dodging are constantly being discovered in the Probate Court. This instance shows that it is not necessary to await death or dissolution to search for evasions. How many other parcels of land owned by corporations

or others are escaping scot-free? A legal way of collecting the arrears from the Union Electric Co. would mean the solution of the general problem of tax-dodging and the restitution to the tax authorities of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

#### PORT SAM HOUSTON'S LESSON.

The summary execution of 13 negroes at Port Sam Houston by order of a court-martial is a stern reminder that it is grim business to affront the armed powers of even a democratic government when it is at war. These men were guilty not only of rioting and murder, but also of mutiny and insubordination. They had a fair trial, but once they were convicted, punishment was swift and terrible.

It is unfortunate that their own actions compelled our mailed fist to fall first upon American citizens. With the country infested by enemy spies, one would prefer that some of these had been made to suffer from the army's first necessity to turn hangman. But the time of the spies is bound to come.

As yet the Government has been cautious in espionage cases. Nobody can find fault with such a policy as long as it springs from an unwillingness to work possible injustice in even the most suspicious cases and does not come from leniency. Leniency in dealing with spies would be unforgivable weakness. Happily there is no evidence of such feebleness at Washington and we may be sure that if no spy has as yet been hanged or shot it is because the guilt of none has been clearly ascertained.

It is safe to predict that there will not soon be another mutiny among American soldiers, white or black. Similarly the hanging of a few miscreants now at liberty in the United States would have a powerful effect toward lessening the number of warehouse fires and munition plant explosions involving losses of both life and property.

Join the Red Cross and go to the front for humanity. If you can't fight help bind the wounds of those who do fight.

#### CONGRESSIONAL HECKLING.

A Congressional Committee to inquire into the conduct of the war, if animated by correct motives, might have its uses. What we may as well prepare for, however, is a mess of extremely partisan political heckling.

Was one of the cantonments not properly heated on the first day of November? Congressman Jinks has a constituent who was ready last summer to accept a Government contract for stoves, just to help the country out, and he didn't get it. Why didn't he get it? That is what the Congressman will demand to know. And so it will be with clothing, tents, socks, tin cups and iron spoons and a thousand other things an army requires. Ever since war was declared, nine months ago, Washington has been the camping ground for thousands of individuals who wanted to help the country—filling contracts—and great has been the resentment because they were so hard to obtain.

The mere fact that Government purchasing bureaus are very rigid in the guarantees they exact from manufacturers, that the standard for articles which will be accepted is high, and that assurances must be ample as to deliveries, is of no consequence to the Congressman who doesn't like the administration. What he wants is contracts for his constituents and if they don't get them—well, the country shall bear of the incompetence of every one in office, from the guilty Cabinet officer down to the lowest bureau chief.

The men who died on the Jacob Jones died not only for their country, but that the entire fabric of civilization might be preserved.

#### SPEED IN REVOLUTIONS.

This is an age of speed and efficiency. All about us we see waste and lost motion eliminated. We are here today and there tomorrow; things that once required several months to reach fruition now become ripe in a few minutes.

Observe the recent trend in revolutions. From Portugal comes the news that there has been a successful revolt and that a new Government has been firmly established. The day before the old Government was on the job and everything seemed to be serene—that is, as serene as things get in Portugal.

Five years ago there would have been months and months of street fighting, claims and counter-claims of victories and defeats, massacres, international intervention and the rest of the concomitants of an old-fashioned insurrection. But today there comes out of the clear sky the announcement: "There has been a successful revolution and the new Government is firmly established."

The Bolshevik uprising was of the same type and the one in China was also a marvel of speed and terseness. "The world do move."

#### THE HEROIC COMMUTER.

Pity the poor commuter. Now is the winter of his discontent. He leaves his suburban home at break o' day and hies to the trolley track and waits three hours for the car and gets to the office at noon. He starts home at night and gets, maybe, as far as East St. Louis. If he is not particular he stays all night at an East St. Louis hotel. Or he returns to St. Louis.

But the commuter does not complain. The commuter never complains. He expects such things. If he does not get his share of the discomforts of suburban trolley service he is unhappy. He feels that he has been cheated. It is for these things that he lives 15, 20 or 25 miles from the office. If he was like other men, dependent upon good transportation facilities for enjoyment, he would live in town.

This thing of getting home in, say, half an hour, is all right for those who have not tasted the joy of spending two and a half hours on the way as a regular thing and putting up in town for the night when there is a change in the weather.

Some commuters go so far as to live at Lebanon, Ill., which is something like 25 miles as miles are measured and about 150 miles as time is measured on trolley cars that run late when they run at all. It just goes to show to what lengths a commuter will go for the privilege of spending about one-fifth of his life in transit, and of reveling in the joys of rural life.



THE KIND OF A TANK RUSSIA NEEDS.

#### JUST A MINUTE

Written for the POST-DISPATCH  
by Clark McAdams

##### FREE VERSE.

I WONDER,  
If I were to shoot my husband—  
I wonder if a jury  
Of twelve good men and true  
Would weep bitter tears  
When my lawyer turned  
The tap on  
The sob stuff—  
And if,  
When they filed into the court room,  
They would render this verdict—  
"Not guilty."

However,  
Thinking it over,  
I know darn well they would not—  
Because I am not young,  
Neither am I good looking.

A. M. W.

Sign on the wall behind a stenographer in a St. Louis office:

Please don't take interest  
in what don't concern you

##### AT THE GATE.



The Turk (addressing the British sentry on passing out of the city): Don't laugh. Wait 'till you've held Jerusalem 673 years! You may be lucky to have a barrel.

##### HE TOOK IT.

FLAT Hunter: I suppose there is someone in the neighborhood who is learning to play on an army trumpet?

Agent: Yes.

Flat Hunter: There are cats enough, no doubt, to make the night hideous?

Agent: Plenty.

Flat Hunter: The man below has a phonograph, of course?

Agent: He has.

Flat Hunter: The plumbing gets out of order at the usual intervals?

Agent: Depend upon it.

Flat Hunter: I suppose the bell doesn't work?

Agent: I think not.

Flat Hunter: There is someone opposite who keeps his automobile engine running all night to keep it from freezing?

Agent: There is.

Flat Hunter: The boys who sell extra newspapers come through here to keep one from sleeping very much?

Agent: Always.

Flat Hunter: I will have great difficulty getting repairs of any kind made?

Agent: You will.

Flat Hunter: I suppose the boys in the neighborhood keep goats, pigeons, rabbits and one thing and another to make things reasonably lively?

Agent: They do.

Flat Hunter: There is, of course, a dog that howls in the neighborhood at night?

Agent: O, yes.

Flat Hunter: The heating apparatus isn't very good?

Agent: Not very.

Flat Hunter: The gas meter is fast?

Agent: Yes.

Flat Hunter: There is a good sleep walker in the block?

Agent: Certainly.

Flat Hunter: You have an ash-hauling trust in the vicinity?

Agent: The best.

Flat Hunter: The milk men come early and know how to get the proper Swiss ball-singing effects with the bottles?

Agent: They do.

Flat Hunter: Burglars are not much molested by the police?

Agent: Lord, No!

Flat Hunter: I suppose the number on the flat is concealed where nobody can see it?

Agent: Perfectly.

Flat Hunter: The rooms are not designed to accommodate furniture of any kind?

Agent: No, sir.

Flat Hunter (musing): Well, everything seems normal. I'll take it.

##### VERSE WITHOUT TITLE

HER boy is in the trenches,  
And pride is in her eyes—  
A pride that still can be serene  
Whatever may arise.

Her boy is in the trenches—  
Nor chatsoever can  
Defeat her long, her mother's wish  
That he would be a man.

#### The MIRROR OF PUBLIC OPINION

This column is designed to represent the latest comment by leading publicists, newspapermen and others on the questions of the day.

##### THE ISOLATION OF LA FOLLETTE

From the Brooklyn Eagle.

SENATE, and courtesy almost ably marks the bitterness of the fight. Even Blanche K. Bruce of Mississippi, a slave, was safe there from President's speech. No such safety for M. La Follette of Wisconsin has been for himself a record of personal popularity. No other Senator would walk with the other end of the Capitol to hear President's speech. La Follette is ever put upon Lorimer. Why is it? A strong sentiment of feeling of many Senators. But La Follette is almost as much a personage as La Follette. There is no particular against Hardwick, no personal feud and Hardwick himself wasn't an ally partner for "Battle Bob." In temperance we are mistaken. La Follette is a crooked stick in a 19-cord pile. He fits into nothing. He is a whole pile. Vanity, absurd egotism, a whole absence of what makes a man a personable, combing with roughness, need to make him persona non grata. This man is expelled it will be, in the least, because nobody likes him. The United States loses nothing and contains nothing in the elimination of a traitor from the national council so the human fellowship of Senators suffer not at all. Eloquent humor, a play of the mind, even stinging wit, compels respect are lacking in La Follette. He is a mere demagogue, a demagogue unredeemed and redeemable.

German Paper "Explains" Wilson.

From the New York Tribune.

AMERICANS who don't know Woodrow Wilson became President of the United States should read the Deutsche Zeitung of Oct. 15. This semi-official newspaper contains the presidency of this country was the ward for having written a book which the public did not care to buy. The Deutsche Zeitung says:

"A hitherto unknown, but nevertheless very interesting, incident in the life of President of the United States is related by a man intimately acquainted with conditions in America: Wilson, in his history of the United States, contrary to present opinion, called the American system of government one of the worst. Prussia's administrative system the best. Perhaps for this statement his book was hardly bought by the public. And the publisher of Wilson's book had more than a hundred thousand unsalable copies on hand. When the Governor of New Jersey died, every influential publisher took care of the former universally known Wilson, who was looking for a salaried position, and won the support of the press of New Jersey. Wilson, a smart business man, and the publisher of the 'History of the United States' thereby, entered his successful political career."

Two War Pests.

From the Chicago Post.

AMONG the professedly loyal there are two pests abroad. There are cheerful optimists, akin to the cheerful idealists who think the war will be over in a few weeks, and so declined to do anything with the rest of us to the hard pull ahead; and there is the hard pessimist, who sees nothing but blunders, defeats and utter humiliation for America and the allies, and so declines to do anything with the rest of us to the hard pull ahead. The latter deserves no mercy, seriously or otherwise, he is serving the enemy. The kind of criticism that is destructive and discouraging has no place in print or speech just now. Criticism to be of value, must be hopeful, constructive. National morale is as necessary as army morale. No government can be done the enemy, who is undermining confidence in the nation's leaders.

Hypnotized Marxism a Menace.

From the Milwaukee Journal.

Little kit bag and beads in many. It came to America with a group of German malcontents, who desired freedom from everything but Socialism. Today it flourishes here. But its ideals and its ideals still come from Germany, and it is hypnotized. Today the Socialist party is not discussing Socialism. It is using energies toward organizing against war with Germany and against America's government. For our war is one against the birthland of Marxism, and our Government is without appreciation of the menace. The attacks and the claims of Marxism proceed with noise, with blare of brass trumpets, success or lack of success is known to Socialist leaders. But the purpose must be saved root and branch. War candidates in this country realize this. They look to the Socialists for aid they know they can confidently expect. Anti-war, pro-German Socialism is a danger.

Today's Best Cartoon.



Try, the Little Father-Pro-Turk. Spoofy, my boy, you're a clever fellow—a perfect chum!—a 'Vinter Palais' seated on se throne poor little Nikki! Vot a kolossal of Chernia, hob-noburill—From the Sunday Evening Post, London.

#### WOMEN'S PAGE

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# The Ballplayer Is Confronted by the Trench on One Hand and Retrench on the Other

## Alexander and Killifer Go to Chicago Cubs for Price Said to Have Been \$80,000

Owner Weegman Puts Over Biggest Deal That Has Been Consummated in Recent Years With President Baker of Phillies at the National League Meeting in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—GROVER CLEVELAND ALEXANDER, rated with Matty McIntyre and Walter Johnson as one of the greatest pitchers of all time, was sold yesterday by William Killifer, the catcher, to the Chicago club of the National League, for a price said to be \$80,000 and two players, Mike Prendergast, a pitcher, and "Pickle" Dillhoefer, a catcher.

William F. Baker, president of the Philadelphia club, hesitated over parting with the mainstay of his baseball machine, but the temptation was too great. Charles H. Weegman, owner of the Chicago Cubs, came to New York with \$200,000 to strengthen his team. He wanted Alexander and Killifer and finally made an offer which Baker could not refuse.

So it was, as one baseball man put it, "That Mack lost his ball club." And so it was that Charles Weegman put Fred Mitchell and his Cubs in line to win a National League pennant.

The sale was made at the Waldorf yesterday, where the National League was in yearly session and, needless to say, it created a sensation.

Biggest Price Ever Paid.

Weegman was quickly surrounded when the news leaked out, some offering congratulations and others seeking details. He admitted that his heart almost stopped beating when he signed the check, and remarked: "It's the biggest price ever paid for a pair of ballplayers in the history of the national game."

Baker seemed to have some doubts as to how the news would be received in Philadelphia, so that in an effort to break the news as gently as possible he invited the Philadelphia newspapermen to a little dinner in the Waldorf last evening and then told his story.

It was a more or less tearful story. Alexander the Great has been to the Phillies the last few years what Matty was to the Giants several years ago. He just about pitched his team to the National League championship in 1915 and 1916, in games, of which 13 were shutouts.

He had such mastery of his sharp breaking ball that in 43 games he struck out 223 men, gave only 84

**Tener Is Re-elected to Presidency; Joint Meeting Is Up to A. L. Owners**

JOHN K. TENER is master in his own baseball household. He was re-elected president of the National League yesterday on his own terms. Incidentally the joint meeting of the two major leagues will not be held in Chicago tomorrow as arranged by August Hermann, chairman of the National Commission and president of the Center at club.

Such a meeting will be held, however, if the owners of the American League consent. George Fox's death has now on hand is out of the way. It might be held on Friday or Saturday of this week or early next week.

President Tener and every owner in the National League were as one in feeling the necessity for such a joint meeting to discuss the various problems, such as a reduction of the player limit, shortening the schedule and reducing salaries generally—problems which have arisen because of the war.

The club owners, however, sided with President Tener and against August Hermann over the date of this meeting, which the latter took upon himself to set for tomorrow.

**Rickey Has Praise for Tener.**

Branch Rickey, president of the Cardinals, came out of his first meeting as a national league magnate with a high opinion of President Tener. Other magnates have spoken well of the governor at one time or another, but it has usually been with "good dog, big" intention in their voices. National League magnates have for a long time been in the habit of regarding their chief executive as a necessary evil, who really cut no figure in the management of the organization's affairs.

**Phillie Fans Are Disappointed at Sale of Pat Moran's Star Battery**

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 12.—THE sale of the Philadelphia National club's star battery to the Chicago Cubs came as a great surprise not to say disappointment to the fans of this city. There had been rumors that the club would dispose of Catcher Killifer, probably to Chicago, but there was not the slightest intimation that Alexander was to go. It was known that the agreement was not satisfied with Killifer's action last season in regard to increased salary demands.

The club had trouble in signing both men to contracts at the beginning of the season. Killifer finally accepted a reduction and Alexander signing a two-year contract for a salary which was said to have made him the highest-paid pitcher in the league. He wanted \$15,000 but the club offered \$10,000. The salary demand was compromised, but the figures were never officially given out.

**Parallels Mack's Case.**

Baseball fans believe the sale of Alexander and Killifer means the breaking up of the club which has been a pennant contender several years, winning the championship in 1915. They fear it is a parallel case in this city when Connie Mack of the Philadelphia Athletics broke up his wonderful team by selling Eddie Collins to the Chicago Americans for \$50,000. Mack's reasons were that his club was not being patronized and that he was not justified in keeping high salaries players. The Phillies, however, have been drawing well over since Manager Moran took hold of the team.

Whether William A. Baker, president of the Philadelphia club, intends to get out of baseball is not known here. Mr. Baker is attending the National League meeting. He is a former Police Commissioner of New York and still a resident of that city. It was suggested that possibly the club expects next season will be a bad baseball year on account of the war and is unloading high-salaried men.

**Alexander Subject to Draft.**

Alexander came to the Philadelphia club from the Syracuse (New York) State League team in 1911. He began his baseball career in 1908 with the Central City (Neb.) club. In 1909 he was with the Galesburg club of the Illinois-Missouri League, and in 1910 he pitched for the Indianapolis team and later in the year for Syracuse.

Alexander this year equaled Christy Mathewson's record of winning 30 or more games in three successive seasons. His best season was in 1916 when he pitched for the Indianapolis team. He was 13 and lost 13 games.

Pitcher Alexander was born in Elba, Neb., Feb. 26, 1897, and is subject to the draft for the national army.

Catcher Killifer was born in Pawnee, Mich., April 15, 1895. He came to the Philadelphia club from the Buffalo (Eastern League) team in 1911 and developed into one of the best catchers in the National League. His best batting average since coming to the Phillies was this year, when he hit .371.

**MAUPOME WINS ANOTHER**

Pierre Maupome, Cleveland, leader in the Interstate three-cushion billiard league, won another match last night, beating Hugh Hail of Toledo, 50 to 41. It was Maupome's tenth victory on his home table.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE MAGNATES GATHER FOR WAR SESSION

Important Meeting of Club Owners in Junior Circuit Begins This Morning.

**ECONOMY MOVES CERTAIN**

Ban Johnson Says Chicago Conference Will Be Short, but to the Point.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—What is regarded as the most important meeting of the American League for the past decade was scheduled to begin at the Congress Hotel here this morning at 11 o'clock. Club owners of the junior circuit, with the usual contingent of baseball men from all over the country began arriving here yesterday afternoon and this morning every magnate was on hand, prepared to advance various theories that ran the gamut of baseball legislation.

War, of course, is the chief topic of discussion and one hears it on all sides. The sentiment among baseball men here apparently is divided, a majority contending that organized baseball is likely to become reorganized in the near future.

**Mutual Action Necessary.**

Nevertheless, there isn't a club owner in the American League who doesn't realize the gravity of the future. What it holds in store for the national game, no one could be found this morning who would say. All agree on the point that a thorough understanding and mutual cooperation is essential.

Just how long the meeting will last is difficult to forecast. The owners will go into session this morning and are not expected to dispose of routine business until this evening, at least. A night session is regarded as a possibility.

President Charles Weegman of the Chicago club demanded that this clause be incorporated in the deal in order to protect his club against the possibility of the loss of one of its best stars in case they should be drafted for army or navy service.

Lowering of the player limit. Collection of the war tax. Establishing of informal salary limit. Adoption of a 140-game schedule.

**Johnson Issues Statement.**

Ban Johnson, president of the American League, is of course the center of interest. The league executive made this statement this morning:

"Important policies must be decided upon today, but our time will be taken up in voting, not in talking. We all know where we stand and what we must do. The game will be continued and run the same way it has in the past. There are no differences of opinion here. We are all in a dead issue. Its sole hope of survival hinges upon action taken by the National League. It becomes apparent that what players have in mind is a majority against such a move."

Conditions involving the player limit present much the same aspect. Both of these are regarded as re-arrangement measures to advance the idea of the majority of the magnates is likely to adopt either independent of the other.

Awarding of the 1917 pennant to the White Sox also will take place today. Incidentally, this will give an idea of the advance of the war in baseball. Heretofore, \$100 has been voted for the purchase of a pennant and the awarding of the 1918 pennant, the appropriation of \$125 as the cost of pennants has increased.

Bill Baker, president of the St. Louis Browns, together with Bobby Quinn, his business manager, arrived on the scene early this morning. Bill had no legislative measures to advance, expressing a willingness to abide by a decision of the majority on what ever topics were presented. The St. Louisans have hopes of turning at least one deal here, but is leaving the details to Quinn. The latter refused to discuss them.

Now is on his way to Camp Taylor at Louisville.

Dean Dierker, that war would not interfere with the annual A. U. indoor track championship and that the event probably would be held at Philadelphia. The Central A. U. meet will be staged here. Profits from both meets will be applied to war funds.

**CANCEL FOOTBALL GAME.**

CAMP FUNSTON, Kan., Dec. 12.—The football game between the eleven representing the Eighty-ninth Division National Army and the Kansas University team, which was to have been played today, has been called off. It was announced last night.

**A. A. U. WOULD ERECT BUILDINGS FOR INDOOR SPORTS FOR SOLDIERS**

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—A campaign to raise funds to erect buildings for indoor sports at various army cantonments was launched at once by the National Amateur Athletic Union.

Charles A. Dean, president, announced today. The money will be raised by direct from subscription and from receipts from athletic events.

The decision to start the campaign was made at a conference between Dean and Dr. J. E. Raycroft, chairman of the Committee on Recreation at Camp Funston.

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## SPORT SALAD

Handicapped.

A "Wore ear-muffs on his ears; He doesn't wear them any more For he can't hear his side galore To look up sundry bays."

**Quite So.**

FRED FULTON took a rap at Porky Flynn and stood that willing worker on his dome.

Said he, "No wallop Porky was a sin, But they had to bring the bacon home."

**The Magnate Speaks.**

An eighteen-player limit would be fine, Far better than a large, unwieldy mob; Especially if eight of them or nine Could play the game like Turpin Raymond Cobb.

**Bringing Home the Bacon.**

Fred Fulton put out "Porky" Flynn with a left hook to the jaw in the second round. All of which doesn't prove anything much except that Fred is a better man than Porky Flynn.

Still we can't help wondering what the Master was doing in the first round.

Fulton's victory over the pro-circus person has no significance as regards a match with Jess Willard beyond demonstrating the fact that Fred still retains his eye for distance and easy money.

**A Stand Patter.**

Fulton will claim the heavyweight championship. If Willard refuses to fight, but Jess will probably stand on his squatter's rights and claim perpetual title to the championship by adverse possession.

**Winter Quotation.**

Phil Hall says stock in the Browns is worth 60 cents on the buck. Glad to see there is something that hasn't gone up.

Persons booked for passage on the Page line are still waiting for notice from the company as to when the boat will sail.

**"Comacks Meeting Guns."**

Headed by a Russian, the Russian must be a shortage of horses on the Russian front.

**The Browns have signed "Lefty" Leifeld.**

Time for the Landrum to unlimber their arms.

**Eddie Plank and Cy Young** had better hold themselves in readiness for the second call.

**Some Flyer.**

Garry Hermann must have gone in for aviation judging by the way he is going over John K. Tener's head.

Tom Jones says he could make a world's champion out of heavyweight Bill Brennan in a year's time. Tom is slowing up.

Time was when Tom could crank up his typewriter and make a champion overnight.

**The Municipal Soccer Association** wants to play a series of games with the soldiers of Camp Funston and Camp Taylor.

**Farm products** this year are valued at \$2,000,000,000. You can't call a bumper crop of long green.

**Understand Santa Claus** will make his rounds of the trenches this Christmas in a tank. Barbed wire entanglements mean nothing in the life of a Claus.

**Zero weather isn't so bad.** In fact, we're all wrapped up in it.

**As we get it John Tener** will put it up to the National League to decide whether they want a head or a "figure" head.

**Phil Hall says** he used to be a catcher back in 1881 and that he realizes what a snap it was until he started magnating in the grand old pastime.

**A broken finger here and there** is nothing to a dislocated bankroll.

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## LEONARD BATTLES DANGEROUS BOXER IN EAST TONIGHT

Irish Patsy Cline Conceded Chance to Win Bout in Philadelphia.

**BOTH CARRY A WALLOP**

Champion Says He Will End Six-Round Contest Quickly as Possible.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Conceding that boxing forecasts are about as reliable as those concerning the weather or other abstract propositions, Benny Leonard, the lightweight champion, is going to get the test of his brief but meteoric title career here tonight when he faces Irish Patsy Cline, the young star from the Bronx.

It will go six rounds, depending, of course, upon whether that death-dealing wallop possessed by Leonard doesn't come in contact with Cline's chin. It is probably safe to say that there will be more action during these half dozen sessions, than Philadelphia fans have seen since the memorable McGovern-Nelson battle three years ago.

**Great Interest Aroused.**

There is no denying the fact that Philadelphia is excited. So is New York, the latter because boxers acknowledge Gotham as their home and the former because it will carry a large delegation of New York fans to and from the bout tonight. Every seat in the Olympia A. A., where the fight will be held, has been carefully disposed of and speculators were doing a thriving business this morning on those fans who had neglected to purchase their seats early.

Cline has been striving for a chance at Leonard for the past several months. He has been carefully groomed for tonight's appearance for the last three weeks. Singularly enough, Cline has only recently developed a knockout punch and it is this fact that places him in the ranks of the dangerous contenders.

Leonard has stopped his hands in the third round of one of his two opponents, both of whom Leonard fought. Eddie McAndrews, a Philadelphia lightweight, took the count in the third round of one of his two opponents, both of whom Leonard fought.

Leonard's idea is to be a real champion as long as he holds the title. "I'll never give it up," said Leonard a short while ago, when asked why he took on Leo Johnson, the negro lightweight. "If they are dangerous that's all the more reason why I should fight them and give them a chance to prove they are better than I. I'll hold the title as long as I can and when somebody comes along and beats me, I'll be the first to congratulate the champion."

Which is about as sportsmanlike an attitude as any champion ever adopted.

Betting on the contest tonight is lively at even money largely, although a few wagers at 5 to 4 on the champion have been recorded. Wagering on the knockout proposition follows the odds beyond reason in most cases. And don't forget that Harry Pollack, the man who taught Freddie Welsh all his bad ring habits, will be in Cline's corner tonight. Pollack just naturally can't keep away from these lightweight tussles.

**BILLIKEN FIVE BEATEN.**

The St. Louis University basketball five lost its first game of the season at Duquoin, Ill., last night, being beaten by the Duquoin grade, 42 to 17.

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## WRAY'S COLUMN

From Ridiculous to Sublime.

FRED FULTON, as we get it, is the central figure in the cast of that oft-produced life-drama entitled, "From Jest to Earnest." It is now something less than two years ago that Fulton, in a fighting sense, was a bigger joke than the Kaiser thought Uncle Sam.

Talk of matching Fred with Jess Willard was accompanied by loud cackling and unkind reference to "boobies" and senseless promoters. It was the popular opinion that such a contest could only be intended as a set-up for the title holder, and a means whereby some fight "impreario" could put a new wrapper on his bank account without actually resorting to the lead pipe and dark alley.

Behold the Gawk from Rochester today—almost COMMANDING Willard to come out and fight, or to forever hold his peace and give up his title! See him earning in a round of two opposition that practically defeated him two years ago. Note him macerating the bullock, Carl Morris, of whom he was supposed to be in mortal terror. Going on and on, he stands at the head of the procession, the "logical contender for the heavyweight title" with the title-holder meeting his thirty-sixth year, and Down-and-out-dumb! We'll say it's SOME night, a master transformation.

**More About Miss Haywood.**

MISS CLARA HAYWOOD, the Philadelphia girl who recently defeated Harry Cline in an 18.2 ball-line billiard match with an average of close to 100 for 200 points, has just been elected to membership in the National Billiard Association with the right of entry into championship competition.

There is some chance that Miss Haywood, if she can play in tournaments as she did against Cline, might finish high up in the national amateur championship. There are very few women in the world and almost no amateurs of today whose 18.2 average run into two figures.

Miss Haywood's admission to the association is the second instance wherein a woman has been admitted on equality with men to sporting competitions involving a national title. Women occasionally enter the Grand American Handicap—without hope, however.

The only sport in which women are recognized by the Amateur Athletic Union of America is swimming; and even then the other sex must compete alone and not in mixed events.

In tennis and golf women out quite a figure; but when it comes to championships they must compete separately. Some day a woman will win a national championship against men, and then she will be a real champion.

**14 WASHINGTON FOOTBALL PLAYERS RECEIVE LETTERS; ELECT CAPTAIN SATURDAY**

At a meeting of the athletic council of Washington University, yesterday, 14 "W" emblems were awarded to members of the 1917 football squad. This is the smallest number of gridiron letters that has been awarded at the Pikeview in years.

One of the awards went to Frank Rowan, fullback, who played in only the first game of the season. Rowan was selected by the team to active service on a convoy.

Only seven line-men were given letters, four of them being granted service "W"s. The men to receive the football letters are Capt. Kling, Kromer, Grossman, Kurkus, Nobbe, Newport, Marsburg, Benway, Brookes, Meyer, Harvey, Berger and Feisch. The four to receive recognition for their service are Hastings, Bryant, Smith and Raut.

Election for the 1918 captaincy will be held at the annual banquet at home of Dr. G. H. Lund, Saturday night.

**It's No Joke to Owners.**

THE matter is no fit subject for jest, however, but a serious matter to the magnates. "While Charley Weegman is raving about his willingness to spend \$250,000 for a winner for 1918, the other magnates

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## SOCCER LEAGUE GIVE RECEIPTS SOLDIER CLUB

Camps Funston and Taylor Will Be Brought Under Christmas Help

**DOUBLE BILLS**

Two Army Camps Money Evenly Affected

At a meeting of the St. Louis Soccer League yesterday, it was decided to bring the St. Louis Soldier Club under Christmas help. The league will give the club a double bill of play double-header with the entire proceeds to be made up largely from the sale of tickets. The league will also give the club a double bill of play double-header with the entire proceeds to be made up largely from the sale of tickets.

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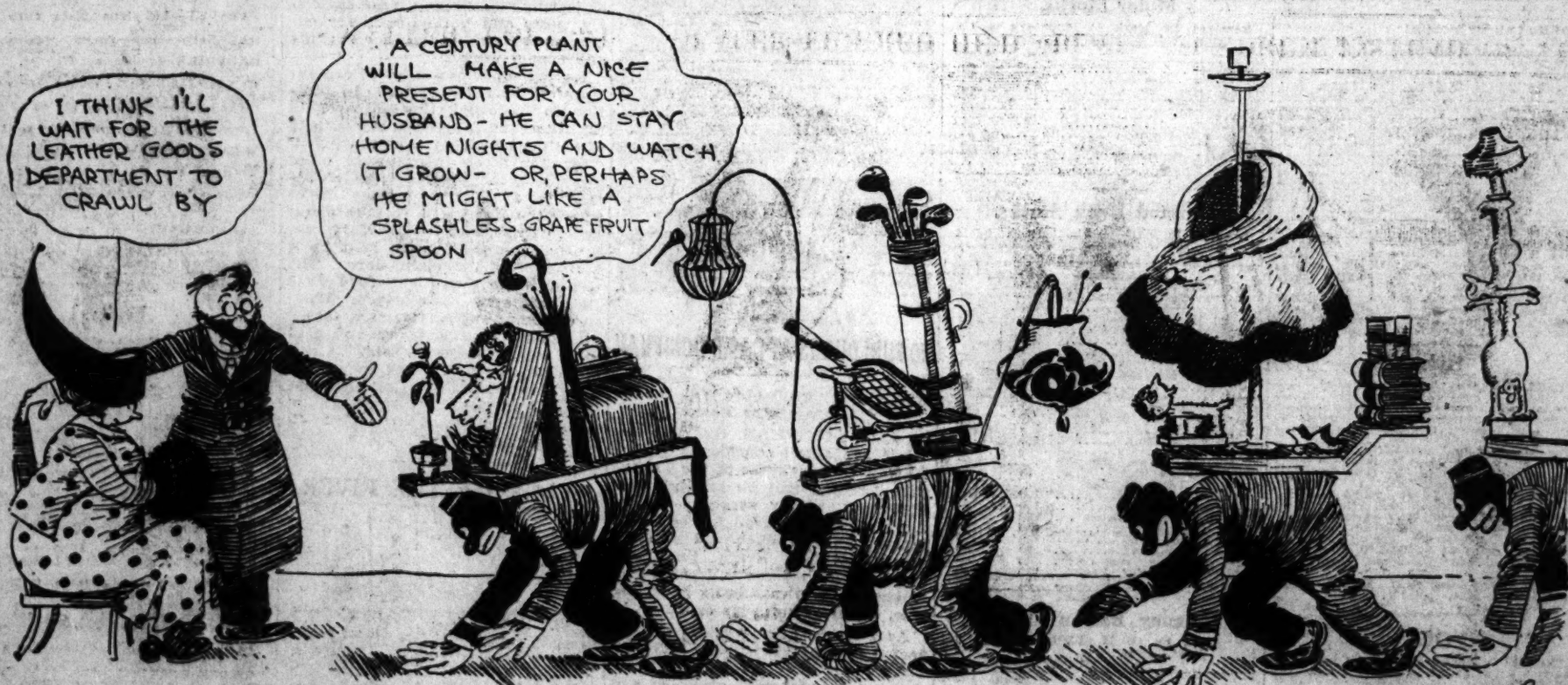
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